

**FISCAL ESTIMATE FORM**

**1999 Session**

- ORIGINAL                       UPDATED  
 CORRECTED                       SUPPLEMENTAL

**LRB # -2006/2**

**INTRODUCTION # AB 453**

Admin. Rule #

**Subject**

Liability for the actions of law enforcement officers and other employees of cities, villages, towns or counties who are requested to assist other jurisdictions.

**Fiscal Effect**

State:  No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget     Yes     No

- Increase Existing Appropriation                       Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing Appropriation                       Decrease Existing Revenues  
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local:  No local government costs

1.  Increase Costs  
      Permissive     Mandatory  
 2.  Decrease Costs  
      Permissive     Mandatory

3.  Increase Revenues  
      Permissive     Mandatory  
 4.  Decrease Revenues  
      Permissive     Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:  
 Towns                       Villages                       Cities  
 Counties                       Others \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Districts                       WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**

- GPR     FED     PRO     PRS     SEG     SEG-S

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate:**

This bill changes the process for local governments in securing assistance from another political subdivision. Currently the local government receiving the assistance takes responsibility for liability payments and compensation claims. This bill would place the responsibility for liability with the regular employee unless the two (or more) jurisdictions have in place a written agreement outlining the apportionment of the liability between the jurisdictions.

It is very difficult to gauge the local governmental costs. There may be no financial impact for local governments and may even reduce liability payments from the assisted communities. The written agreement provision would allow for any routine assistance that is rendered that may cover any increased costs by either party. However, without knowing how liability insurance actuaries would view this and whether local governments would be able to put in place written agreements to prevent unforeseen liability exposure, we cannot estimate any local governmental impact.

Our department does want to point out that this bill deals with more than just law enforcement officers and adds local governmental employees to the mutual assistance statute found under 66.305. Beyond law enforcement, it is difficult for us to predict how other local governmental employers may be affected.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications:**

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