

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 01-4780/2	Introduction Number AB-801	Estimate Type Original
Subject Campaign financing; lobbying regulation; WECF designations; Elections Board staffing		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This legislation makes several changes in campaign finance law. For purposes of this fiscal estimate it is assumed that the law will be in place for the 2002 elections. For purposes of determining the amount of funding necessary for the WECF grants it is assumed the following number of candidates will qualify for and receive grants:

2002 General Grant Amount

Governor 2 1,800,000
Lt. Governor 2 450,000
Attorney General 2 270,000
Secretary of State 2 235,000
State Treasurer 2 235,000
State Senator 10 450,000
State Representative 75 1,687,500-4,238,700 total

2003 Spring and specials

Supreme Court 2 270,000
State Senator 2 90,000
State Representative 4 90,000 450,000 total

This estimate assumes no additional WECF grants will be distributed to counter independent expenditures or excess spending by opponents of candidates that accept a grant.

The legislation makes no provision for funding the software development to implement electronic filing of campaign finance reports. Based on the most recent cost gathering information by the Elections Board and the Department of Administration, an additional \$3,000,000 will be necessary just to design, develop and install an electronic filing system for campaign finance documents.

The legislation will also require the Elections Board to hire 2 full time LTE's to provide clerical assistance between August and November of even-numbered years.

Additional administrative costs include one time costs for revision of forms, manuals and training materials

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
\$20,000 for preparing, printing and distributing forms, manuals and training materials. \$3,000,000 to design, develop and install an electronic filing system for campaign finance reports.			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	4,418,700		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$4,418,700		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR	4,418,700		
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GPR Taxes	\$		\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$		\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$4,418,700		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$		\$
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