



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

RRC 3/9/2006

LRB Number	<b>05-4796/1</b>	Introduction Number	<b>SB-657</b>	Estimate Type	<b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Repealing provisions that may be inconsistent with federal law of, and modernizing, chapters 189 to 192 and 195 and other provisions related to railroad regulation and providing a penalty					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

SB 657 updates state railroad regulatory statutes by repealing obsolete provisions and modernizing other provisions. The provisions repealed have been preempted by federal law.

SB 657 increases the amount of forfeitures. SB 657 converts the penalties for violating many railroad statutes from fines to forfeitures, which should make recovery easier, and increases the amount of the penalties. In most cases these penalties have not been increased in decades. This may result in a small increase in local revenues through enforcement actions.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications