



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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<b>Description</b> Legislative consideration of nonfiscal policy items in the biennial budget bill					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This estimate is limited to the fiscal effect on the Legislative Fiscal Bureau. Under the bill, the Fiscal Bureau would be required to prepare a report, no later than 30 days after the introduction of the biennial budget bill, identifying all non-fiscal policy items in the biennial budget bill as introduced. The report would be submitted to the Co-chairpersons of the Joint Committee on Finance.

Under the bill, a "non-fiscal policy item" would be defined as any of the following: (a) an item that generally has no state fiscal effect or the policy implications of the item are greater than the state fiscal effect; (b) an item that has been or is the subject of introduced legislation other than the biennial budget bill; (c) an item that would be referred to a standing committee of the Legislature, other than the Joint Committee on Finance; and (d) an item that can be accomplished without legislation. The definition would specifically not include any of the following: (a) an item that affects state program eligibility; (b) an item that, if prepared as a bill, would generally be referred to the Joint Committee on Finance; or (c) an item that addresses a reorganization or transfer of state government operations or functions.

The preparation of a "non-fiscal policy report" could be accomplished with existing staff and resources.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications