

Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

LRB Number 15-3724/1	Introduction Number SB-536
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Description
 Various changes to the worker's compensation law, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate
 Increase Existing Appropriations
 Increase Existing Revenues
 Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
 Decrease Existing Appropriations
 Decrease Existing Revenues

 Yes No
 Create New Appropriations
 Decrease Costs

Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.427(1)(ra)	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill was reviewed for provisions that affect the Labor & Industry Review Commission (LIRC).

Administrative review of a worker's compensation decision

Provisions in the bill clarify the "reason beyond control" standard for late appeals and establish the date from which the time period to set aside a commission decision runs (the date of the commission decision and the date it is mailed to the party's last-known address are the same date), with no fiscal impact.

Judicial review of a worker's compensation decision

No fiscal impact is anticipated with these changes. The format for commission decisions will need to be adjusted for the additional information about parties who need to be named as defendants when a case is appealed to circuit court. Also, appeal rights forms and website information will need to be updated for the new requirements. These updates can be accomplished by current LIRC legal and IT staff within current duties and without additional expense, but will take time to accomplish.

Other provisions affecting LIRC

Other changes in the bill affecting substantive rights of the parties may affect the number of appeals to the commission. Appeals to LIRC would likely increase or decrease corresponding to the change in the number of ALJ decisions (currently, approximately 35-40% of appealable WC decisions of administrative law judges are appealed to LIRC). At this time these costs are indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications