

Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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| LRB Number 19-2773/1 | Introduction Number SB-281 |
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Description
 scope of highway improvement plans

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs |
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Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease 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 |
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| Fund Sources Affected | Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS | |

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Project scopes are determined by assessing a combination of highway system needs, including but not limited to safety, pavement and bridge needs, capacity needs, and other local conditions. Policies for addressing these needs are currently defined through the department's current asset management program.

The bill establishes a statutory requirement that highway improvement project scopes result in a highway that is the same or similar in scope to the one being reconstructed or replaced. The bill provides exceptions in instances where safety, state and/or federal standards, or estimated traffic volumes necessitate a significant change in infrastructure.

The statutory requirements provided by this bill are largely consistent with existing asset management policy but could require the department to provide additional clarification through policy explicitly outlining when safety, state and/or federal standards, or estimated traffic volumes warrant exception to the new law.

The fiscal effect of the bill is indeterminate. If exceptions can be made to the law, the department will need to document those exceptions and their justifications. New administrative processes would need to be established to determine when these exceptions apply. The department will incur indeterminate administrative costs to develop, implement, and operate a process for assessing, approving, and documenting exceptions to the new law.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications