

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.
 1459/i + SB 54
 Amendment No. if Applicable

ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

FISCAL ESTIMATE
 DOA-2048 N(R10/98)

Subject
 Public Intervenor position in DOJ

Fiscal Effect
 State: - No State Fiscal Effect
 Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

- Increase Existing Appropriation - Increase Existing Revenues
 - Decrease Existing Appropriation - Decrease Existing Revenues
 - Create New Appropriation

- Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget - Yes No
 - Decrease Costs

Local: - No local government costs

1. Increase Costs - Permissive - Mandatory	3. Increase Revenues - Permissive - Mandatory	5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected: - Towns - Villages - Cities - Counties - Others _____ - School Districts - WTCS Districts
2. Decrease Costs - Permissive - Mandatory	4. Decrease Revenues - Permissive - Mandatory	

Fund Sources Affected **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

GPR - FED - PRO - PRS - SEG - SEG-S 20,005(3) + 20,455(1)

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

DOJ formerly had two attorneys, one legal secretary, one 1/2 LTE secretary and eight law students (clinical program at no salary cost to DOJ, but space, telephones and supplies and need for clerical support) working in the Public Intervenor function before it was transferred to DNR. There was also a citizen advisory board, and this board incurred expenses for travel, lodging and meals for meetings during each fiscal year. Only one attorney position was transferred to DNR, and the present bill transfers only that one position.

If the program is to be run properly, there is a need to add one legal secretary position to the bill. This program cannot be effective without support staff, and because of the present inadequate support staff in DLS. The transfer of the incumbent attorney to DOJ could cause a union or other problem because that attorney is an Attorney 14, and all attorneys in DOJ are Attorney 15 level employees.

With the above background, here is the minimum budget requirements for this bill. The attorney salary is set at the experience level that was used when the program was in DOJ.

	<u>Salary & Fringe</u>	<u>Supplies</u>	<u>Total</u>
Attorney	122,100	8,000	130,100
Secretary	<u>29,100</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>33,100</u>
	151,200	12,000	163,100

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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