



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

COMM 04/12/2001

LRB Number	01-2917/1	Introduction Number	SB-123	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Subject</b>					
Regulation of historic buildings					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The proposed bill would revise and create additional provisions regarding the regulation of historic buildings, the income and franchise tax credit that supplements the federal historic rehabilitation tax credit, the historic buildings code, awarding grants to owners of historic agricultural buildings, requiring a liberal interpretation of local regulations applicable to historic buildings and structures, and making appropriations.

The Department of Commerce currently regulates the preservation and restoration of qualified historic buildings per authority granted in s. 101.121 and 101.13 (9). This authority is administered through Comm 70, the State's historic building code. SB 123 proposes regulatory mandates regarding historic buildings and would affect the workload of Commerce in three areas. One of the proposed statutory provisions would potentially decrease the revenue collected by Commerce by waiving the fees for its review of building plans and its construction inspections for historic buildings over 100 years old. Commerce estimates that it reviews approximately 10 historic projects per year of this type. Typically, these projects are small in size, ranging between 5,000 and 10,000 square feet. Based upon these assumptions, the department would expect to realize an annual loss of \$5,800 with the waiver of fees. Commerce believes it can absorb the loss without significantly affecting operations or staffing levels.

Under another provision, Commerce would be responsible for preparing and maintaining an informational pamphlet for owners of historic buildings about the historic building code. Commerce currently publishes many other types of informational pamphlets and brochures regarding the scope, nature and application of its buildings codes. It is anticipated that the development of a pamphlet for historic buildings can be absorbed into the current workloads without additional staff and with minimal costs.

Finally, the proposed legislation would, at the request of a historic building owner, involve Commerce in reviewing local ordinances or decisions that would affect a historic building project. Since, by current law, the application and use of the historic code supersedes local regulations, Commerce considers this new provision as an extension of its existing consultation services. Therefore, Commerce does not anticipate this additional duty as significantly affecting existing workloads.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

No long-range fiscal implications are anticipated at this time.

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original     
  Updated     
  Corrected     
  Supplemental

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<b>Subject</b> Regulation of historic buildings		
<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>		
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		
	<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$0	0
(FTE Position Changes)	(0.0 FTE)	(0.0 FTE)
State Operations - Other Costs	0	0
Local Assistance	0	0
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	0	0
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>		
GPR	0	0
FED	0	0
PRO/PRS	0	0
SEG/SEG-S	0	0
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)</b>		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$0	\$0
GPR Earned	0	0
FED	0	0
PRO/PRS	0	-5,800
SEG/SEG-S	0	0
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$-5,800</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$0	\$0
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$-5,800	\$0
<b>Agency/Prepared By</b>	<b>Authorized Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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