

Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

LRB Number **03-4198/1**
 Introduction Number **SB-502**

Subject
 Comprehensive study of economic initiatives

Fiscal Effect

State:

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

Local:

- No Local Government Costs
- Indeterminate
- 1. Increase Costs
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
- 2. Decrease Costs
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
- 3. Increase Revenue
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
- 4. Decrease Revenue
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
- 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
 - Towns
 - Counties
 - School Districts
 - Village
 - Others
 - WTCS Districts
 - Cities

Fund Sources Affected
 Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
 GPR
 FED
 PRO
 PRS
 SEG
 SEGS s. 20.765 (3)(c)

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Senate Bill 502 requires the Legislative Audit Bureau to conduct a study of economic development available in this state under state and federal law and municipal ordinances. The study is to provide the geographical distribution of funding for economic development within the state, identify geographic areas most in need of economic development, and list economic development programs that are deficient, outmoded, or redundant.

On February 11, 2004, the Joint Legislative Audit Committee directed the Legislative Audit Bureau to conduct an audit of the State's economic development programs. Its scope includes identifying economic development programs and their beneficiaries, reviewing available information on any resulting job creation and economic development, and assessing compliance with statutory requirements for a sample of loans and grants.

There are overlapping aspects of the study proposed under the bill and the audit already approved. However, the approved audit is limited to development programs administered by the state and does not require an analysis of economic development needs. The bill also requires that the Audit Bureau hire a private consultant to assist in the study. The scope of effort for the consultant is unclear. However, it is expected that the costs for the expanded audit effort and the hiring of a consultant to provide limited services could be absorbed within the Audit Bureau's ongoing budget.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications