## Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

For public contracts changing the limitation on retainage to 5% from the current 10% means that more funds will be disbursed earlier by state and local governments. Assuming satisfactory completion, the funds eventually would have been disbursed but the ealier payouts will mean that state and local governments will not benefit from the interest earnings those funds might have accrued. Actual costs would depend on the state's and local government's level of project contracts and the interest rate earned on public funds.

Some expression has been made that the deletion of the option for additional retainage related to satisfactory completion might permit contractors to abandon work with added costs for projects to bring another contractor in to finish a job. However, there is no data to estimate such costs.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

Unknown.