

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 03-0290/6	Introduction Number AB-644	Estimate Type Original
Subject Authorize long-term care ombudsman program to enter residential care apartment complexes		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Long Term Care Ombudsman program is currently limited by statute to advocacy activities directed at elderly and disabled residents of nursing homes and CBRFs. This bill would extend the reach of the program to residents of the new and growing arena of Residential Care Apartment Complexes. The RCAC industry has been expanding dramatically within the last three years and the Long Term Care Ombudsman program has been receiving inquiries from residents and families. The program, lacking both resources and authority to advocate in these facilities, has been unable to provide assistance to these callers.

AB 644 would require a \$12 per annum / per apartment fee to be paid to the state (DHFS) which would be placed in an account within the budget of the Board on Aging and Long Term Care for use by that agency to fund advocacy activities in the RCACs. The collected moneys would support the addition of one FTE regional ombudsman position that would permit advocacy in RCACs at approximately the same ratio of advocates to clients as is currently the standard for other ombudsman activities. The new revenue would completely support the increased expense.

Projected increased revenues are based on the 31 Sep 03 DHFS listing of a total of 5,732 RCAC apartments in operation.

Projected expense is based on the current cost per position including consideration of payroll expense, supplies, office space and travel.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$49,856	
(FTE Position Changes)		(1.0 FTE)	
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$49,856	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS		49,856	
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS		68,784	
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$68,784	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$49,856	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$68,784	\$
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