

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DOT 11/17/2003

LRB Number	03-3582/1	Introduction Number	SB-300	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
Revisions to DNR and PSC approvals of utility facilities and electric transmission and generation facilities					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

- The statute requires a minor changes to DOT's Utility Accommodation Policy.
 - These changes will need about 16 hours of staff time. This includes writing a revised policy, sending it out for comments, editing those comments, and training DOT utility permit staff on how to implement the new policy. This training can de done through an e-mail memo. Other e-mail and telephone correspondence is expected.
 - One DOT staff person can do the work.
 - The policy change will cost around \$750, and can be easily absorbed in DOT's budget.
- Currently, it is rare for electric transmission lines to be located longitudinally on freeway right-of-way. However, if that were to change, DOT would most likely see a corresponding increase in revenue since an occupation fee would be charged to the utility. This fee could range from \$6,000 to \$10,000/mile or substantially higher/mile for a 20-year occupancy depending on the number of miles used. At the end of 20 years, the utility would be charged for another 20 years at the rate in effect at that time that in all likelihood would be substantially greater. With the uncertainty of the number of miles that electric transmission facilities may actually be constructed on freeway right-of-way, it cannot be determined how much revenue DOT would obtain on an annual basis. The proposed bill encourages electric transmission lines to be longitudinally located on freeway right-of-way, but it doesn't mean that utility companies must or will utilize that option. It may also encourage electric transmittion utilities to ask DOT to acquire additional freeway right-of-way to accommodate their facilities. This cooperative process is authorized by Wis. Stat. 84.093 and the electric transmission utilities would be expected to pay for all the costs and expenses involved.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):		
State Government (DOT): \$750. One staff person is needed to change DOT's current Utility Accommodation Policy, which will take ~16 hours of staff time. Local Government: None		
II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
	Increased Costs Decreased Costs	
A. State Costs by Category		
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	
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$0 \$0	
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR	0 0	
FED	0 0	
PRO/PRS	0 0	
SEG/SEG-S	0 0	
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	\$0 \$0	
GPR Earned	0 0	
FED	0 0	
PRO/PRS	0 0	
SEG/SEG-S	0 0	
TOTAL State Revenues	\$0 \$0	
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u> <u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$0 \$\$0	
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$0 \$\$0	
Agency/Prepared By Authorized Signature Date		
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