### Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

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LRB	Number	05-4931/1		Introd	duction Nu	ımber ,	AB-122	2				
<b>Description</b> Sales of consumer goods and services during periods of abnormal economic disruption, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing a penalty												
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Local:  No Local Government Costs Indeterminate  1. Increase Costs Permissive Mandatory  2. Decrease Costs Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Districts  5. Types of Local Government Units Affected Towns Counties Counties Others School WTCS Districts												
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations  GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS												
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# Fiscal Estimate Narratives DATCP 5/9/2006

LRB Number <b>05-4931/1</b>	Introduction Number	AB-1222	Estimate Type	Original						
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#### **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This bill would prohibit wholesalers and retailers from selling consumer goods and services at "unreasonably excessive prices" during a period of abnormal economic disruption caused by an emergency.

This bill requires the department to promulgate administrative rules to establish formulas or other standards to be used in determining whether a wholesale or retail price is "unreasonably excessive". We estimate it would cost the department roughly \$140,000 to comply with the rulemaking requirement. This estimate is based on two project employees (one Economist 4 and one Program and Planning Analyst) working on the rules for one full year. Because of the huge variation and potential contentiousness for definitions of "unreasonably excessive", we believe it will take deliberate research and development work to build reasonable consensus on the final rule structure. This rule seems especially likely to trigger the regulatory impact report requirements passed as part of the Jobs Creation Act.

#### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

Under this bill, the department would be responsible for the administration and enforcement of this program. It is impossible to estimate the fiscal impact of investigating and enforcing this law because of the irregular occurrence of events that would result in the governor declaring a "period of abnormal economic disruption." In some fiscal years, the department's costs would be minimal and easily absorbed into the agency's regular duties. However, at some unknown point in the future, this bill could result in formidable administrative, investigative or litigation costs to the department.

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2005 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:				
Increased Costs Decreased Co	sts				
A. State Costs by Category					
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes \$					
(FTE Position Changes)					
State Operations - Other Costs					
Local Assistance					
Aids to Individuals or Organizations					
TOTAL State Costs by Category \$	\$				
B. State Costs by Source of Funds					
GPR					
FED					
PRO/PRS					
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, ets.)					
Increased Rev Decreased	Rev				
GPR Taxes \$	\$				
GPR Earned					
FED .					
PRO/PRS					
SEG/SEG-S					
TOTAL State Revenues \$	\$				
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT					
State L	ocal				
NET CHANGE IN COSTS \$	\$				
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