

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 05a1104/1		Introduction Number AA1-AB574	
Description The prohibition of certain billing practices for consumer goods or services, lawn care service contracts, and providing penalties			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected			
<input type="checkbox"/> Towns		<input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities	
<input type="checkbox"/> Counties		<input type="checkbox"/> Others	
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts		<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS			
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This fiscal estimate is based on the passage of Assembly Amendment 1 to 2005 Assembly Bill 574. The amended bill prohibits certain negative option billing practices for consumer goods or service and no longer requires specific regulation of lawn care service contracts.

Based on experience, the Department still projects that complaints regarding general billing practices will significantly increase and that a number of these complaints per year will require assignment to staff for further detailed investigation. Because these investigations typically involve multiple laws currently under our jurisdiction, we believe the costs associated with such work can be absorbed by the Department as a result of the changes to the bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications