

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 07-2344/1	Introduction Number SB-134	Estimate Type Original
Description Municipal boundary agreements and the use of alternative dispute resolution in municipal boundary disputes		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill provides various procedures to assist municipalities in resolving annexation disputes, with the goal of minimizing the time and expense involved in protracted annexation contests.

One of the bill's provisions is to clarify that a court may use, and under a provision is encouraged to use, the existing alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures of s. 802.12, Stats.

Use of the s. 802.12, Stats. alternative dispute resolution procedures involves supervision and possible hearings by the court, but the time involved in ADR may be offset by reduced court time involved in pre-trial and trial proceedings.

This bill is unlikely to have any fiscal impact on court system costs. These costs are borne by both the state and the county.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications