

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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LRB Number 07-1892/1	Introduction Number SB-151
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Description
 Permitting certain individuals to make written requests for medication for the purpose of ending their lives, and providing penalties

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected	
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns	<input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties	<input type="checkbox"/> Others
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts	<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="" 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

Ombudsman staff of the Board on Aging and Long Term Care would be required by this bill to witness the signature of residents of certain long-term care facilities who wish to execute a request for medication under the terms of the bill. Ombudsmen would also be required to act as advocates for the individual making the request. If the individual resides in a nursing home or CBRF, advocacy services of the Ombudsman would be available under any circumstance on request by the resident or any other person on behalf of the resident. Ombudsman services are delivered only with the consent of the resident or a legal representative. It is impossible to determine whether or not a given resident who is contemplating making use of the option presented by the bill would, under other circumstances, have requested the services of an Ombudsman.

This bill will add an indeterminate number of cases to the Ombudsmen's case load. While it may be assumed that not a great many persons will take advantage of the option presented by this bill, it is likely that a certain number will. Each occasion will require an Ombudsman to expend an indefinite amount of time, the cost of which may be calculated at approximately \$27.35 / hour (including wages and benefits). Additionally the total cost must include the associated travel costs which will vary dependant on the distance from the Ombudsman's office to the location of the individual who is requesting advocacy assistance.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Impossible to accurately determine at this time.