

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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LRB Number 07-0626/1	Introduction Number AB-0114
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Description
 Changing the requirements under which a landowner may withdraw property from a drainage district

Fiscal Effect

State:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | <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 |
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Local:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <u>Drainage districts</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
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Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person owning land within a drainage district can petition the district's board to have the land withdrawn from the district. After a hearing, the board must detach the land from the district if it finds that all benefits assessed against the land have been paid, the land will receive no further benefits from the district, and the district will not be materially injured by the withdrawal.

The bill adds the requirement that, before the drainage district board can approve the detachment of land from the district, the landowner seeking to withdraw the land must receive one of the following votes in support of the withdrawal: (1) two-thirds vote of the members-elect of the drainage board, (2) two-thirds vote of the landowners in the district, or (3) approval by owners of two-thirds of the land in the district.

Under current law, drainage districts do not have the power to levy a general property tax, but are instead permitted to levy special assessments on property benefited by their activities. Since they do not have the power to levy a general tax, the Department of Revenue does not establish equalized values for drainage districts, and therefore does not maintain information on the number or location of these districts. In addition, the Department of Revenue does not review drainage district financial statements. As a result, the Department of Revenue is unable to give a reasonable estimate of how the bill would affect drainage districts.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications