

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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LRB Number 07-3256/3		Introduction Number AB-0552	
Description Withholding of legislator pay and appropriation authority for state government programs and operations			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" 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	
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input 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 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

If enacted, AB-552 would require that legislators' salaries be withheld if a biennial budget bill is not passed before August 1 of odd-numbered years. The bill also changes current law which allows for the carryover of existing appropriations if no biennial budget bill is passed by July 1 of odd-numbered years. AB-552 provides that prior to July 1 of odd-numbered years, the legislature, by joint resolution, could specifically designate that state appropriations would remain in effect until September 1 of the odd-numbered year if no budget is in effect as of July 1. Certain leadership positions in the legislature would also determine which state appropriations are essential for state and local services and only those appropriations would be continued throughout the new fiscal year and all subsequent fiscal years when no new budget is passed.

The fiscal estimate for this bill is indeterminate for numerous reasons. Until such a time as the legislature makes the determination of which specific appropriations are essential for state and local services and which would not continue past either July 1 or September 1, it is not possible to estimate what the fiscal impact on state finances and fund balances would be. Also, in the event of a partial state government shutdown, there would be unknown fiscal costs to the state including, but not limited to, shutting down and re-starting some services and agencies, laying off and/or furloughing state employees, and the calculation and payment of unemployment compensation. Conversely, a reduction in costs to the appropriations that are not carried over would be expected.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown.