

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	07-0871/1	Introduction Number	AB-0093	Estimate Type	Original
Description Reporting and review requirements for certain grant proposals for the acquisition of development rights in land					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

SUMMARY: The bill imposes a 14-day passive review procedure at the Joint Committee on Finance (JCF) on Stewardship program grants to local units of government (LUGs) and nonprofit conservation organizations (NCOs) for the acquisition of development rights in land for nature-based recreation. Under the bill, before the Department may award a grant to a LUG or NCO for the acquisition of development rights, it must notify the Joint Committee on Finance. If the cochairpersons of JCF do not notify the Department within 14 working days that the JCF has scheduled a meeting to review the proposal, the Department may award the grant. However, if within 14 working days, the cochairpersons notify the Department that the JCF has scheduled a meeting to review the proposal, the Department may award the grant only with JCF approval.

FISCAL EFFECT: The Department would incur minor, though indeterminate, costs associated with notifying the JCF of potential Stewardship grants to LUGs and NCOs for the purchase of development rights, attending any scheduled JCF meetings to review proposals, and preparing an annual report to the Department of Administration containing information about each grant awarded under the acquisition of development rights program during the preceding year. Over the past six years, the Department has given an average of three to four grants per year to LUGs and NCOs for the acquisition of development rights. Consequently, the Department assumes it could absorb the additional costs within the agency's budget.

Additionally, LUGs who applied for grants for the acquisition of development rights, but who were denied a grant due to the actions of the JCF, would be unable to recoup the costs of appraisals or surveys done as part of their application process – costs that would be reimbursable from grant proceeds. The Department has no way to gauge the number of LUG grant proposals that would be disallowed by the JCF, therefore these local government costs are listed as "indeterminate".

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2007 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$		\$
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
	Increased Rev		Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$		\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$		\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	State		Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$		\$
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