Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number 13-3166/1	Introduction Number SB-437								
Description Designation of agricultural enterprise areas									
Fiscal Effect									
Appropriations Reverse Decrease Existing Decrease Existing Appropriations Reverse Create New Appropriations Local: No Local Government Costs Indeterminate	ase Existing nues ease Existing nues To absorb within agency Wayes Decrease Costs 5. Types of Local Government Units Affect	's budget No							
1.									
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations									
☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☒ SEG ☐ SEGS 20.835(2)(do)									
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives DOR 1/31/2014

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) administers the Farmland Preservation Program and the Department of Revenue administers the related farmland preservation tax credit.

Claimants receive the refundable tax credit based on the number of qualifying acres on their farms. If the acreage is located in a farmland preservation zoning district and subject to a qualifying farmland preservation agreement the credit is equal to \$10 per acre. If the acreage is located in a farmland preservation zoning district, but not subject to a qualifying farmland preservation agreement the credit is equal to \$7.50 per acre. If the acreage is not located in a farmland preservation zoning district, but is subject to a qualifying farmland preservation agreement the credit is equal to \$5 per acre.

Current law prohibits DATCP from entering into a farmland preservation agreement with a farmer unless the farmer's land is in an agricultural enterprise area designated by DATCP. Current law prohibits DATCP from designating agricultural enterprise areas with a combined area of more than one million acres. This bill increases the cap on the combined area of agricultural enterprise areas from one million to two million acres.

DATCP has not yet designated the full one million acres of allowable agricultural enterprise areas under current law. The fiscal effect of this bill will be to increase tax credits and the farmland preservation credit appropriation. DATCP has indicated that 80,000 acres have been enrolled in farmland preservation agreements out of a total of 500,000 agricultural enterprise area designations from 2010 to 2012, for an approximate credit amount of \$680,000. Approximately \$420,000 of that total is attributable to the acreage being located in a farmland preservation zoning district, with the remaining \$260,000 attributable to the farmland preservation agreement.

Assuming the enrollment rate remains at 16% (80,000 / 500,000 acres), an additional one million acres of designations would correspond to an additional credit of approximately \$520,000. Further assuming the DATCP designations reach one million acres in 2015 and this bill allows designations to increase by 250,000 acres annually until 2019, the current enrollment rate would correspond to increased farmland preservation credit claims of \$130,000 in fiscal year 2017, \$260,000 in fiscal year 2018, \$390,000 in fiscal year 2019, and \$520,000 in fiscal year 2020. The size of the effect will depend on the rate at which DATCP continues to designate agricultural enterprise areas and enter into farmland preservation agreements with farmers in those areas.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2013 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		. 1						
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 w revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in l	hen proicense	oposal will increase of fee, ets.)	r decreas	se state				
		Increased Rev		Decreased Rev				
GPR Taxes	:	\$		\$				
GPR Earned				-				
FED								
PRO/PRS								
SEG/SEG-S								
TOTAL State Revenues		\$		\$				
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT								
		<u>State</u>		Local				
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$See Text		\$				
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$		\$				
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