

### Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>23-2947/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>SB-0401</b>
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**Description**  
 prohibiting institutions of higher education from conducting gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens, requiring reporting of the intention to conduct research on potentially pandemic pathogens, and providing a penalty

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
  - Increase Existing Appropriations
  - Decrease Existing Appropriations
  - Create New Appropriations
- Increase Existing Revenues
- Decrease Existing Revenues
- Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
  - Yes                       No
- Decrease Costs

**Local:**

- No Local Government Costs
  - Indeterminate
    - 1.  Increase Costs                      3.  Increase Revenue
    - Permissive    Mandatory                       Permissive    Mandatory
    - 2.  Decrease Costs                      4.  Decrease Revenue
    - Permissive    Mandatory                       Permissive    Mandatory
- 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected**
- Towns                       Village                       Cities
  - Counties                       Others
  - School Districts                       WTCS Districts

<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
<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

This bill prohibits institutions of higher education from conducting gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens. If an institution violates the provisions of the bill, the board overseeing the institution's state funds may not allocate any state funds to the institution for the following year.

The bill also requires a person to submit a report to the Department of Health Services at least 90 days before beginning research on a potentially pandemic pathogen.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

It is estimated that thousands of research projects would require DHS review each year resulting in the loss of faculty productivity and competitiveness. Additionally, most research grants would not allow the research to begin 90 days or more from the date of the award which could result in the returning of grant monies or declining an award.

The fiscal impact is indeterminate until guidelines are established for the provisions in the bill.