

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 341** SLS 18RS 447

Bill Text Version: ENGROSSED

Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

Date: March 18, 2018 9:07 AM Author: DONAHUE

Dept./Agy.: Statewide

**Subject:** Performance audits for stat deds including fee for service **Analyst:** Alan M. Boxberger

FUNDS/FUNDING EG +\$16,000 GF EX See Note

Page 1 of 1

Provides for performance audits for statutory dedications that include a fee for service. (gov sig)

<u>Present law</u> provides for the duties of the legislative auditor and provides that he shall conduct performance audits to evaluate the effectiveness and operation of programs and activities.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the legislative auditor to conduct a performance audit on each statutory dedication that includes a fee for service at least once every four years to determine if the fees are adequate to cover the costs associated with the service.

| EXPENDITURES   | 2018-19    | 2019-20    | 2020-21    | 2021-22    | 2022-23    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| State Gen. Fd. | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$80,000      |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Ded./Other     | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Federal Funds  | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Local Funds    | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u>    |
| Annual Total   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$16,000   | \$80,000      |
| REVENUES       | 2018-19    | 2019-20    | 2020-21    | 2021-22    | 2022-23    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
| State Gen. Fd. | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Ded./Other     | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Federal Funds  | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0           |
| Local Funds    | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u>    |
| Annual Total   | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | \$0           |

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

<u>Proposed law</u> will result in an increase in expenditures of approximately \$16,060 annually by the legislative auditor relative to conducting performance audits on each statutory dedication that includes a fee for service at least once in every four year period. There are currently 391 active statutory dedications, and approximately 73 of that number include a fee for service.

The legislative auditor estimates that each performance audit would require a minimum of 8 hours. Assuming that the 73 statutory dedications including a fee were audited once in every four-year period, the legislative auditor would realize a minimal increased workload of approximately 146 hours at a cost of \$16,060 annually (73 statutory dedications  $\div$  4 years = 18.25 annual audits, 18.25 annual audits X 8 hours X \$110 hourly rate = \$16,060).

The LFO assumes the legislative auditor's costs of performing the audits will be reimbursed by the corresponding agencies administering the statutory dedications where applicable, which will result in a nominal increase of \$880 per statutory dedication on a rotating four-year basis. For simplicity, this fiscal note reports an increase in SGF expenditures, but agencies may utilize all means of finance categories for eligible expenditures.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

| Senate <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | House $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$             | Evan Brasseaux                   |
|--|---|----------------------------------|
| 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}                             | 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | Evan Brasseaux<br>Staff Director |