



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 286** HLS 25RS 696

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

Date: April 16, 2025	8:12 PM	Author: HENRY, CHANCE
Dept./Agy.: Department of Environmental Quality		
Subject: Increase in Civil Fines		Analyst: Richie Anderson

ENVIRONMENT/ENFORCEMENT

OR NO IMPACT See Note

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Provides for the maximum civil penalty for citations issued through the expedited enforcement program

Proposed law increases the expedited enforcement threshold for the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for minor and moderate assessment payments due to violations of the enforcement statute. Current law states that if a single assessment is less than \$3,000 or an aggregate total of less than \$5,000, that entity can utilize the expedited enforcement program. Proposed law increases these thresholds from \$5,000 to \$10,000 respectively.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law increases the expedited enforcement threshold for the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for minor and moderate assessment payments due to violations of the enforcement statute.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

- ☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
- ☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}
- ☐ 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
- ☐ 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}



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