

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Fuel Tank Inspections		

FIRE PROTECT/FIRE MARSHAL OR +\$117,347 SG EX See Note Page 1 of 1

Authorizes the state fire marshal to conduct inspections and plan reviews relative to fuel tanks, fuel tank installations, and fuel dispensing facilities

Proposed law authorizes the state fire marshal to supervise the inspection of fuel tanks, fuel tank installations, and fuel dispensing facilities pursuant to the provisions of proposed law. Proposed law provides when the fire marshal may initiate an inspection of fuel tanks, fuel tank installations, and fuel dispensing facilities. Proposed law allows the state fire marshal to issue orders to enforce the repair or removal of fuel tanks, fuel tank installations, and fuel dispensing facilities. Proposed law imposes restrictions on the owner of a fuel tank, fuel tank installation, or fuel dispensing facility once issued an enforcement order by the state fire marshal or his representative. Proposed law enumerates a list of causes for finding a violation. Proposed law authorizes the state fire marshal to charge an inspection fee for the inspection of fuel tanks, fuel tank installations, and fuel dispensing facilities.

EXPENDITURES	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$117,347	\$94,826	\$98,183	\$101,675	\$105,307	\$517,338
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	\$117,347	\$94,826	\$98,183	\$101,675	\$105,307	\$517,338

REVENUES	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation will result in an increase in self-generated revenue expenditures as a result of the Office of the State Fire Marshal (SFM) inspecting fuel tanks, fuel tank installations and fuel dispensing facilities. The exact number of dwellings with fuel tanks, fuel tank installations and fuel dispensing facilities that would be inspected is indeterminable. However, to conduct the inspections, the SFM would require at least one additional position.

For the SFM to add personnel as a result of an increased workload, the annual cost would be \$91,597 for 1 Senior Deputy State Fire Marshal. The salary and related benefits cost would be \$80,714 (\$51,252 salary + \$29,462 related benefits). Operating services and supplies including telephones, printing, postage, uniform, fuel and office supplies total \$9,900. Annual travel related to inspections is anticipated to be \$1,000. In addition, acquisition costs of \$25,750 consisting of an automobile (\$16,000), office and data equipment (\$3,450) and gun, vest, radio and evidence equipment (\$6,300) would be required if the SFM does not have surplus equipment available.

NOTE: To the extent the number of inspections surpasses the workload (1,145 call per service per year) for one deputy, additional personnel may be required at a cost of \$91,597 for personal services and operating expenditures and \$25,750 for acquisitions.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation may result in an increase in self-generated revenue should the Office of the State Fire Marshal charge a fee to inspect fuel tanks, fuel tank installations and fuel dispensing facilities. The exact revenue impact is unknown since the fee amount is unknown and the number of inspections that would take place is unknown. The fee amounts will be set through the promulgation of rules through Administrative Procedure Act.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Rev. Red. to State {H & S} |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |

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