# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.:3787-01Bill No.:HB 1238Subject:Fire Protection Districts: Consolidation, ElectionsType:OriginalDate:February 14, 2006

# FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	£0.	£0.	¢0.	
Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

# **ASSUMPTION**

**Oversight** assumes this proposal sets forth the procedures fire protection districts located in Jefferson County would follow if they wanted to consolidate districts. **Oversight** assumes this proposal requires action of the governing boards of fire districts and with voter approval before any fiscal impact would occur. Since fire districts would already be established there would be no new or additional tax, and **Oversight** assumes all material assets would be combined. **Oversight** assumes the only costs would be for the election to consolidate, which if held on a general or primary election date costs would be insignificant. Voters living in a fire protection district that had been levying a tax greater than the fire district with which they would be consolidating would pay a reduced tax.

**Oversight** assumes no state or local fiscal impact because this proposal as written is permissive and requires voter approval.

**Oversight** sent response request to the following entities Jefferson County Clerk, Hillsboro Fire Protection District, DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District, and Crystal City Fire Protection District, of which none responded.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

### DESCRIPTION

This bill allows fire protection districts in Jefferson County to consolidate upon approval by the voters within the fire protection districts. If consolidation is approved, the consolidated board will consist of the existing districts' board members, but may be reduced from six members to five upon the first occurrence of a vacancy. The consolidated fire protection district will levy the same taxes as levied by the fire protection district with the lowest levy prior to consolidation.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

NONE

### NOT RESPONDING

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