

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0717-01
Bill No.: HB 159
Subject: Environmental Protection; Natural Resources Dept.; Water Resources and Water Districts
Type: Original
Date: February 6, 2007

Bill Summary: Modifies laws pertaining to dam and reservoir safety

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
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 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assume the council would establish fees in an amount to cover resources necessary to carry out the dam safety inspections. Since this proposal does not indicate a specific fund for the receipt of the fees established by the council, the department assumed the receipts would be deposited into the general revenue fund and payments for the resources used to carry out the legislation would also be from the general revenue fund.

The department estimates there are 220 high and significant hazard dams under the definition of dams in the proposed legislation. The department assumed that less than 10 of 220 high and significant dams would request an agricultural exemption and would elect not to be regulated by the council. Therefore, the department would inspect approximately 210 dams.

Under this proposal the department would be inspecting fewer dams; however, the department assumed existing resources would be used to perform the annual inspections, administer the agricultural exemption program to verify the exemptions and periodically determine if the exemptions are still valid. The proposal would also make resources available to develop the inundation zones for all regulated dams, which is in the existing law.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<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.

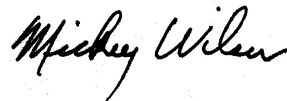
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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

Department of Natural Resources

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February 6, 2007