COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 5463-02 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 1805

Subject: Science and Technology; Tax Credits; Employees - Employers; Revenue

Department

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: March 9, 2012

Bill Summary: This establishes an income tax credit for certain internships.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
General Revenue	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
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 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
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 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Budget and Planning** assume this proposal provides an income tax credit to qualifying employers that use qualified interns. There are no annual caps provided in this proposal; therefore, this proposal will lower General and Total State Revenues by an unknown amount.

Officials at the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume for tax years beginning January 1, 2010, a taxpayer can take a tax credit for compensation paid to an intern in an internship program. No taxpayer can take a tax credit for compensation paid to more than twenty interns per taxable year. The tax credit is 10% of the compensation paid to an intern in an internship program employed by the taxpayer. If the internship program is an unpaid program, the tax credit is one-half of one percent of the taxpayer's annual state income tax per intern. The credit is limited to \$5,000 per taxpayer, the tax credit shall not exceed the taxpayer's tax liability, it shall not be refundable, and cannot be transferred or sold.

DOR assume this creates a new tax credit that DOR will administer. DOR and ITSD-DOR will need to make form changes and programming changes to various tax systems. This is estimated to cost \$22,260 for 840 FTE hours.

In addition **DOR** assumes the Personal Tax Division will need one Revenue Processing Technician (\$25,380) per 6,000 tax credits to handle the tax credit redemptions. Corporate Tax will need one Revenue Processing Technician (\$25,380) per 6,000 tax credits redemptions. Collections and Tax Assistance will need one Tax Collection Technician I (\$25,380) for every additional 15,000 contacts annually on the delinquent tax line, one Tax Collection Technical I (\$25,380) for every additional 15,000 contracts annually on the non-delinquent tax line and one Revenue Processing Technical I (\$25,380) per 4,800 contacts annually to the field office.

Oversight assumes OA-ITSD (DOR) is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes OA-ITSD (DOR) could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, OA-ITSD (DOR) could request funding through the appropriation process.

Oversight assumes DOR's Personal Tax, Corporate Tax and Collection and Tax Assistance Divisions could absorb the responsibilities of this tax credit with existing resources. Should DOR experience the number of additional tax credit redemptions to justice FTE they could seek that FTE through the appropriation process.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

Oversight assume this proposal does not place an annual cap on the tax credit. Therefore Oversight will show the loss of revenue to the state as \$0 (no credits claimed) to Unknown.

Officials from the **Department of Insurance**, **Financial Institutions and Professional Registration (DIFP)** state it is unknown how many insurance companies will choose to participate in this program and take advantage of the tax credits. The department has no means to arrive at a reasonable estimate of loss in premium tax revenue as a result of tax credits. Premium tax revenue is split 50/50 between General Revenue and County Foreign Insurance Fund except for domestic Stock Property and Casualty Companies who pay premium tax to the County Stock Fund. The County Foreign Insurance Fund is later distributed to school districts through out the state. County Stock Funds are later distributed to the school district and county treasurer of the county in which the principal office of the insurer is located. It is unknown how each of these funds may be impacted by tax credits each year.

DIFP will require minimal contract computer programming to add this new tax credit to the premium tax database and can do so under existing appropriation. However, should multiple bills pass that would require additional updates to the premium tax database, the department may need to request more expense and equipment appropriation through the budget process.

Officials at the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with the core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
GENERAL REVENUE			
Revenue Reduction- tax credit for internship programs	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>\$0 to</u> (Unknown)	<u>\$0 to</u> (Unknown)	<u>\$0 to</u> (Unknown)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses can be impact if they claim the tax credit.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal establishes an income tax credit for certain internships.

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

Budget and Planning
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
Department of Revenue
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Office of the Secretary of State

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