

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council
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Bill/Resolution No.:

Amendment to: SB 2216

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	1999-2001 Biennium		2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$84,000	\$0	\$84,000
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$178,233	\$897,575	\$178,233	\$897,575
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$178,233	\$897,575	\$178,233	\$897,575

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

1999-2001 Biennium			2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

2. Narrative: *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

This bill would continue the Agricultural Mediation Service, which provides negotiation and mediation services to resolve problems between farmers/ranchers and lenders, agencies, and others.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

Revenues are projected program user fee collections. Total user fees included in the executive budget are \$146,724, of which \$62,724 are estimated carryover into the '01-'03 biennium.

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Expenditures are for salaries, operating, and equipment expenses of the Agricultural Mediation Service. The number of affected FTE positions is 6.0.

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

The Agricultural Mediation Service is federally funded at a 70 percent reimbursable rate for allowable activities. General funds and user fees are needed to provide state matching funds for federal grant reimbursement and to fund limited activities that are not eligible for federal grant cost-sharing. The appropriation amounts included in the executive recommendation are:

General \$178,233

Federal \$750,851

Special (user fees, grants, etc.) \$146,724

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