

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/15/2013

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1212

- 1 A. **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.*

	2011-2013 Biennium		2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$608,256		\$675,840	
Appropriations			\$608,256		\$675,840	

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

	2011-2013 Biennium	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

- 2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill changes lodging reimbursement rates for legislators during legislative sessions.

- B. **Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The bill removes the monthly limit on legislative lodging reimbursement during legislative sessions. Under current law, legislators may receive a monthly maximum of up to 30 times 65 percent of the daily lodging reimbursement rate for state employees set by the Office of Management and Budget. The bill would allow legislators to claim lodging reimbursement during legislative sessions at the same rate as the state employee daily lodging rate set by the Office of Management and Budget.

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.*

- 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.*

The 2013-15 Legislative Assembly budget includes \$898,560 for lodging costs relating to the 2015 legislative session based on the current statutory formula using an estimated \$90 per night state employee lodging reimbursement rate for 128 eligible legislators. Under the bill, this amount would increase by an estimated \$608,256 from the general fund to a total of \$1,506,816 using the \$90 daily rate plus tax for 30 days per month for 4 months for 128 eligible legislators. For the 2015-17 biennium, anticipating a \$100 per night state employee lodging reimbursement rate, additional funding of \$675,840 from the general fund would be needed to provide a total of \$1,674,240 using the provisions included in this bill compared to the formula in current law.

- C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

If approved, this bill would result in the need for an additional \$608,256 from the general fund for the Legislative Assembly's 2013-15 biennium appropriation. The 2015-17 biennium general fund appropriation for the Legislative Assembly would require an additional \$675,840 from the general fund.

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