

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**01/14/2013**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1176

- 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
<b>Revenues</b>				\$489,168		\$504,336
<b>Expenditures</b>			\$11,136	\$489,168	\$11,136	\$504,336
<b>Appropriations</b>						

- 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
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

- 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).*

HB 1176 will allow individuals convicted of a drug felony to be eligible to participate in the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) and the temporary assistance for needy families program (TANF) if at least 5 years has elapsed since their most recent conviction.

- 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.*

Currently the SNAP and TANF programs permanently disqualify an individual from participating in either program if the individual has been convicted of a drug felony. HB1176 will allow for participation if at least 5 years has elapsed since the most recent conviction. Potentially the SNAP and TANF programs could see an increase in the number of eligible individuals as a result of this bill.

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.*

The increase in other fund revenue is a result of the additional federal SNAP funding the state will be able to access.

- 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.*

It is estimated that an additional 158 individuals could meet the requirements of eligibility for the SNAP program with an estimated monthly benefit of \$129 per person for a 2013-15 biennium total of \$489,168 of which all are federal funds. The estimated amount for the 2015-17 biennium is \$504,336 of which all are federal funds, assuming a 3% inflationary increase in the per person rate. It is estimated that 2 additional individuals could meet the requirements of eligibility for the TANF program with an estimated monthly benefit of \$232 per person for a 2013-15 biennium total of \$11,136 of which all is general fund. The estimated amount for the 2015-17 biennium is \$11,136, of which all is general fund; no inflationary increase is expected for this program. The TANF increase is all general fund due to

TANF federal funds being a capped source of federal funds and the department is currently not projecting to have excess TANF funds available for either the 2013-15 or the 2015-17 bienniums. The additional individuals expected to be eligible for the programs were left at constant levels because it is anticipated that individuals will move off the programs and others will enter the programs so the average numbers of additional individuals on the programs will remain constant at the numbers reflected above.

- 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.*

The Department will need an appropriation increase of \$500,304 of which \$11,136 is general fund and \$489,168 is federal fund for the 2013-15 biennium. The Department will need an appropriation increase of \$515,472 of which \$11,136 is general fund and \$504,336 is federal fund for the 2015-17 biennium.

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