FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 12/20/2016

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1046

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.

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	2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium		2019-2021 Biennium			
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds		
Revenues			\$(3,287,000)	\$(313,000)				
Expenditures								
Appropriations								

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

	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium	2019-2021 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).

HB 1046 makes permanent the sales and use tax exemption for equipment used in telecommunications infrastructure development.

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.

Section 1 of HB 1046 removes the June 30, 2017 sunset making permanent the sales tax exemption for equipment used in telecommunications infrastructure development. Section 2 deals with the corresponding use tax.

- 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.

Based on recent activity by companies that have reported this information, the removal of the sunset is expected to reduce state general fund and state aid distribution funds by at least \$1.8 million per year as shown above. However, there are some major telecommunications companies which are not included in this total for which no information is available because they are able to purchase qualifying equipment tax free without formally requesting exemption from the Tax Commissioner.

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.

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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

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