FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 02/08/2019

Amendment to: HB 1535

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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| | 2017-2019 Biennium | | 2019-2021 Biennium | | 2021-2023 Biennium | | | |
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | | |
| Revenues | | | \$(146,000,000) | | | | | |
| Expenditures | | | | | | | | |
| Appropriations | | | | | | | | |

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

| | 2017-2019 Biennium | 2019-2021 Biennium | 2021-2023 Biennium |
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| 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).

Engrossed HB 1535 changes the individual income tax from a system with five rate brackets to a single flat tax rate.

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 engrossed HB 1535 creates a deduction from taxable income - similar to the federal standard deduction - based upon a taxpayer's filing status. This deduction is \$18,725 for single taxpayers and \$37,450 for married taxpayers filing a joint return.

The bill also removes the current individual income tax brackets and rates that range from 1.1% to \$2.9% of taxable income. In place of these progressive rate brackets, the bill imposes a flat 2% tax on taxable income, which has been reduced by the deduction created in the bill.

(The bill also provides some statutory clean-up of obsolete references which will have no fiscal impact.)

- 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 2% flat rate established in the bill is expected to reduce state general fund revenues by an estimated \$146 million in the 2019-21 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.

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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