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FISCAL NOTE

Bill/Resolution No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment to: SB2229

Requested by: Legislative Council Date of Receipt: February 19, 1987

Please estimate the fiscal impact of the above measure for:

State general or special funds       Counties       Cities

In the following space note the fiscal effect in dollars of this measure:

Narrative: This bill would change the cap of \$175,000 on death benefits paid to claimants' surviving spouses to \$197,000. This bill makes the change of the cap retroactive to 1983, when the cap was first placed on death benefits.

Estimated increased benefits awarded in periods subsequent to the effective date are approximately \$196,000 per year, based on death claims filed in the 1983-85 biennium.

In addition, an adjustment to all awards made from July 1, 1983 to date, where the \$175,000 cap has been applied, would require approximately \$721,000.

The Bureau's actuary estimates an increase in premium, if recovered over a two-year period, of .75 per cent; or if recovered over a four-year period of .50 per cent.

State Fiscal Effect:

<u>1987-88</u>		<u>1988-89</u>		<u>Biennium Total</u>	
<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
\$196,000		\$196,000		\$392,000	
	Retroactive cost over 2 years*				721,000
<u>County and City Fiscal Effect:</u>				Total	\$1,113,000

<u>1987-88</u>		<u>1988-89</u>		<u>Biennium Total</u>	
<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>	<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>	<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

Signed Katherine Satrom

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\*This cost could be prorated over a four-year period also.