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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: Senate Bill No. 2539 Amendment to: _____

Requested by: Legislative Council Date of Receipt: _____

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:

The identification process outlined in Section 2 is similar to some of the rail planning functions performed by the Highway Department's Planning Division. It would cost the PSC approximately \$50,000 to perform similar duties and to administer the program.

It is difficult to determine annual costs associated with acquiring easements in railroad rights-of-way and attendant facilities. In a recent abandonment protest the PSC argued that the line had a per mile value of \$3,500; a 30-mile line would therefore cost approximately \$105,000. Annual management costs to maintain fences and crossings and control weeds could approach \$5,000. Total costs could therefore approach \$160,000 annually or \$320,000 per biennium.

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>
	160,000		160,000		320,000

County and City Fiscal Effect:

<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.

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