

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1348 Amendment to: _____

Requested by Legislative Council Date of Request: 01/17/97

- Please estimate the fiscal impact (in dollar amounts) of the above measure for state general or special funds, counties, and cities.

Narrative:

If the intent of this legislation is to replace the State Bar Association Inquiry Committees (East and West) with state funded investigators who work for the Lawyer Conduct Commission, the fiscal impact is significant. Currently, most preliminary investigation of complaints is done by the State Bar Association inquiry committees. Someone has to do the preliminary investigations. This legislation cannot be implemented without funding for investigators. Neither the Supreme Court nor the Judicial Conduct Commission/Disciplinary Board budgets have funds to cover this expense.

- State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

| | <u>1995-97</u> <u>Biennium</u> | | <u>1997-99</u> <u>Biennium</u> | | <u>1999-2001</u> <u>Biennium</u> | |
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| | <u>General</u> <u>Fund</u> | <u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u> | <u>General</u> <u>Fund</u> | <u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u> | <u>General</u> <u>Fund</u> | <u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u> |
| Revenues: | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Expenditures: | 0 | 0 | 251,000 | 0 | 262,000 | 0 |

- What, if any, is the effect of this measure on the appropriation for your agency or department:

- For rest of 1995-97 biennium: N/A
- For the 1997-99 biennium: It cannot be supported with existing or proposed budgets
- For the 1999-2001 biennium: It cannot be supported with existing or proposed budgets

- County, City, and School District fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

| | <u>1995-97</u> <u>Biennium</u> | | | <u>1997-99</u> <u>Biennium</u> | | | <u>1999-2001</u> <u>Biennium</u> | | |
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| <u>Counties</u> | <u>Cities</u> | <u>Districts</u> | <u>Counties</u> | <u>Cities</u> | <u>Districts</u> | <u>Counties</u> | <u>Cities</u> | <u>Districts</u> | |
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If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

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