

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1385

Amendment to:

Requested by Legislative Council

Date of Request: 1-20-99

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

Narrative: It appears that HB 1385, as written, would require that the PSC monitor the procedures used by state locations (7) that are federally licensed to test grain for protein, moisture, etc. The Commission estimates that this work would require one FTE and a corresponding travel budget. The costs presented below are based on this understanding.

If this bill, on the other hand, intends that the Commission oversee testing procedures at all of the state's 460 grain elevators, at least two FTEs and a corresponding travel budget would be required (approximately double the costs presented below). This approach assumes that federally licensed laboratories would be hired to test samples drawn by state inspectors. The costs for these services would be approximately \$50,000 per biennium.

If a state laboratory is established to conduct tests, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that equipment costs would be about \$250,000. An additional FTE would also be required to staff the facility.

- State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

	1997-99 Biennium		1999-2001 Biennium		2001-03 Biennium	
	General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds
Revenues:	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Expenditures:	-0-	-0-	\$120,000	-0-	\$127,300	-0-

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

- For rest of 1997-99 biennium: -0-
- For the 1999-2001 biennium: \$120,000
- For the 2001-03 biennium: \$127,300

- County, City, and School District fiscal effect in dollar amounts: *No Effect*

	1997-99 Biennium			1999-2001 Biennium			2001-03 Biennium		
	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

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