FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/14/2021

Amendment to: SB 2156

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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	2019-2021 Biennium		2021-2023 Biennium		2023-2025 Biennium			
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds		
Revenues			\$(70,800)					
Expenditures								
Appropriations								

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

	2019-2021 Biennium	2021-2023 Biennium	2023-2025 Biennium
Counties			
Cities		\$(5,200)	
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 SB 2156 raises the minimum legal age to purchase, possess or use tobacco products from eighteen to twenty-one.

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.*

If enacted, Engrossed SB 2156 will increase the minimum legal age (MLA) for purchasing, possessing, and using all tobacco products to age twenty-one. Studies indicate that over ten percent of high school students are daily or occasional smokers. If this bill is enacted, some of the consumption of tobacco products by these individuals will cease, and some young people may delay smoking for up to three years.

- 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.

Assuming 1100 young adults stop or delay purchasing cigarettes in the state, each consuming an average of 1.5 fewer packages per week, there would be an estimated drop in wholesale cigarette tax of \$76,000 for the 2021-23 biennium. Engrossed SB 2156 includes an emergency provision indicating it could become effective immediately resulting in a possible slight impact in the current, 2019-21 biennium as well.

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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