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FISCAL NOTE

Bill/Resolution No.: House Bill No. 1553 Amendment to: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by: Legislative Council Date of Receipt: 1/27/87

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:

According to the Funeral Association, the estimated statewide funeral service cost is \$2,200, including the \$250 casket and transportation charges. In addition to this cost is a \$235 maximum for grave box or vault, cost of grave space maximum of \$275, and maximum for grave opening and closing of \$175, or a grand total in the amount of \$2,885. This compares with current funeral services allowance of \$600, including casket plus maximum funeral cost of \$235 for grave box or vault, \$275 for grave space, and \$100 for transportation, or a maximum grand total amount of \$1,285. The estimated increase in overall burial costs per burial would be \$1,600 (\$2,885 - \$1,285). The estimated biennial number of persons for whom county social service boards pay funeral and burial expenses is 344. The total biennial fiscal impact is \$1,600 X 344 burials or \$550,400. According to existing law, general assistance paid by county social service boards is reimbursed with general funds at the 50% rate.

Section 7 of SB 2015 proposes an amendment to existing law to require DHS to distribute appropriated funds for poor relief based on quarterly allocations. Should sufficient appropriations not be made available to DHS, the additional estimated \$550,400 would need to be paid with county funds.

State Fiscal Effect:

1987-88		1988-89		Biennium Total	
<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
	\$137,600		\$137,600		\$275,200

County and City Fiscal Effect:

1987-88		1988-89		Biennium Total	
<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>	<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>	<u>Counties</u>	<u>Cities</u>
\$137,600		\$137,600		\$275,200	

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

Signed *Mike Schwindt*

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