

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**02/05/2013**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1427

- 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.*

	2011-2013 Biennium		2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$337,941	\$0	\$449,461
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$239,670	\$0	\$249,162
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$239,670	\$0	\$249,162

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

	2011-2013 Biennium	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium
Counties	\$0		
Cities	\$0	\$337,941	\$449,461
School Districts	\$0		
Townships	\$0		

- 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).*

This bill provides that any political subdivision that does not regulate the design, sale, installation or modification of fire sprinkler systems exceeding 20 sprinkler heads or costing over \$2,500 must be reviewed and inspected by the Fire Marshal.

- 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.*

This bill requires the Fire Marshal of the Office of Attorney General to review all fire sprinkler system plans of 20 or more sprinkler heads or costing at least \$2,500 for those political subdivision that does not regulate the design, sale, installation or modification of fire sprinkler systems. The Fire Marshal must inspect the fire sprinkler systems, after project completion, to verify the project is in compliance with applicable codes and meets national fire protection association standards.

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.*

The estimated Office of Attorney General other funds revenues from political subdivisions for complying with this bill are estimated at \$337,941 for the 2013-15 biennium and \$449,461 for the 2015-17 biennium. These amounts are shown in the city fiscal impact for simplicity since what political subdivisions might be charged is unknown. The Fire Marshal billing rate is set by a consultant, who works with the office's federal cognizant agency, which approves the rate. The federal cognizant agency requires that the rate charged be the same for all entities the office charges in the event any pay these charges with federal funds.

- 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.*

This bill is estimated to result in an additional deputy fire marshal due to the estimated volume of hours this bill will necessitate. The cost of the FTE is estimated at \$239,670 for the 2013-15 biennium and \$249,162 for the 2015-17 biennium.

- 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 is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The Office of Attorney General needs authorization to hire and pay the expenses of the additional deputy fire marshal. A contingency appropriation could be added to House Bill No. 1003 to provide the authorization to hire this FTE when it is needed due to the uncertainty of the amount of work this bill may result in.

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