

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**01/19/2015**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1451

- 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.*

	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				\$772,800		\$1,070,880
<b>Expenditures</b>				\$242,933		\$244,244
<b>Appropriations</b>						

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

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

- 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).*

The Fire Marshal would review all building plans which require sprinklers and inspect and test to determine applicable code standards compliance after installation.

- 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.*

Section 1 requires the Fire Marshal or designee to review all building plans for public and private buildings prior to fire sprinkler system installation and then inspect and test the sprinkler system after the installation. Single family dwellings and two-dwelling units are excluded from this bill.

The number of buildings anticipated which will need sprinklers reflects the actual 2014 building numbers. While it is possible the total number of buildings for the 2015-17 biennium may be higher or lower, at this time the actual number is unknown.

The bill establishes a fire sprinkler contractor board and assesses annual fees and applicable penalties from \$500 - 1,000 for willful violations of the bill. It is unknown how many of each will be paid.

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 office estimates it will take 5,520 hours for the biennium to review building plans for public and private buildings prior to fire sprinkler system installation and then inspect and test the sprinkler system after the installation. The estimated number of hours at the Fire Marshal billing rate of \$140 per hour results in total 2015-17 biennium estimated revenues of \$772,800. At the 2017-19 hourly rate of \$194 the total estimated revenue is \$1,070,880.

- 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.*

The significant increase in workload resulting from this bill will require the addition of 1 deputy fire marshal with total salaries and wages of \$180,392 and operating of \$62,541, for a total of \$242,933 from other funds resulting from the revenues shown in 3 A. Salaries and wages of \$196,789 and operating of \$47,455, for a total of \$244,244 from other funds is the total cost estimated for the 2017-19 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

As shown in Expenditures, the total appropriation for the 2015-17 biennium is estimated at \$242,933 and \$244,244 is estimated for the 2017-19 biennium. One deputy fire marshal will be needed to handle this workload.

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