

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**HOUSE BILL NO. 1393**  
**LC# 25.1073.03000**  
**03/31/2025**  
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**1 - 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.*

	2023-2025 Biennium		2025-2027 Biennium		2027-2029 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				\$43,000		\$43,000
<b>Expenditures</b>				\$278,039		\$276,004
<b>Appropriations</b>				\$278,039		\$276,004

**2 - County, City, School District, and Township Fiscal Effect**

*Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

	2023-2025 Biennium	2025-2027 Biennium	2027-2029 Biennium
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

**3 - Bill and Fiscal Impact Summary**

*Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

Earned Wage Access (EWA) is a financing product which allows workers early access to their earned wages. These products may have higher than average costs to the consumer. In some ways they are similar to a deferred presentment service product, also known as payday loans.

**4 - Fiscal Impact Sections Detail**

*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.*

HB 1393 will establish licensing, investigation, and examination authority over earned wage access. This bill proposed to use a tracking database similar to requirements of payday loans. Staffing costs to roll out and maintain the database are material. Additionally, regulating EWA companies including licensing and examining is comparable to payday lending and adds staff time and costs. Investigations will be conducted as needed and examinations will

be conducted in accordance with industry standards; at least one examination per company every five years. We estimate one full time employee will be required to implement these requirements and conduct investigations and examinations. Estimated biennial salary, benefits, and operating costs for the FTE is \$278,039. Estimated biennial revenue based on expected licensing volume is \$43,000.

## 5 - Revenues Detail

*For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

The department is a special fund agency. The expected fiscal impact of this bill will be partially offset through licensing and examination revenue. Revenue is based on the estimated licensing volume. Examination fees are paid by the licensee and will reflect actual costs incurred. Examinations will be conducted based on industry standard, which is once every five years.

Application fees: \$13,600  
Licensing fees: \$14,400  
Examination fees: \$15,000

Total estimated revenue per biennium: \$43,000

## 6 - Expenditures Detail

*For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Salary: \$167,904  
Benefits: \$75,069  
NDIT Initial Setup: \$2,035  
NDIT Ongoing Expenses: \$7,031  
Professional Development: \$11,500  
Travel: \$14,500  
Total Expenditures for one FTE: \$278,039

## 7 - Appropriations Detail

*For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please 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.*

Salary: \$167,904  
Benefits: \$75,069  
Data Processing: \$9,066  
Professional Development: \$11,500  
Travel: \$14,500

Total Appropriations: \$278,039

The DFI is not subject to appropriations. This fiscal note is for informational purposes only.

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