

FISCAL NOTE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1413
LC# 25.0780.04000
01/17/2025

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
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$240,377		\$217,180	
Appropriations						

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
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

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).

HB 1413 creates a safe food donation program.

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.

Section 1 of HB 1413 creates a safe food donation program. The department shall promote a safe food donation program. To donate food under the program, an entity must be licensed under section 23-09-16. A local public health unit shall inspect entities participating in the program. The department is not including any amounts for the local public health unit for costs they may incur for these inspections. (We estimate these costs could be approximately \$60,000 per biennium, assuming 80 recipients, 20 hours per inspection plus travel costs.) The department shall establish inspection procedures and educational resources to inform participating entities about safe food donation

practices.

Safe food donation program indicates a local public health unit shall inspect licensed entities participating in the program, verify certifications, establish safety guidelines, and regulate the program. While there 28 local public health units, only 8 have food regulatory programs. The department currently licenses over 2,000 entities that could qualify as participants in this program. There are other unknown quantities of entities the 8 local public health units license as well.

The Department would need one new FTE to administer the program assuming large adoption of the program. The fiscal impact related to this FTE would be \$196,212 for the 2025-2027 biennium. The Department estimates the operating expenses would be \$9,165 for the 2025-2027 biennium.

The Department would need an additional \$30,000 to create a forward-facing website portal that interacts with our data and contains a Power BI dashboard with interactive maps. This website would house procedures and educational resources to inform participating entities about safe food donation practices. Printing costs for the 2025-27 biennium would be \$5,000 for educational materials.

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 bill indicates the department may establish grant and partnership opportunities to support participating entities and encourage broad adoption of the safe food donation program. We are not aware of any currently available grants or partnership opportunities. We do not anticipate collecting any revenues.

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.

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The Department would need to hire one FTE to carry out the administrative functions of the program, assuming large adoption of the program. The estimated cost of the FTE for 2 years is \$196,212 for salaries & fringe. There would also be operating costs for this FTE for technology fees billed from NDIT of \$9,165 and \$5,000 for printing educational materials.

The total projected costs related to HB 1413 for the 2025-27 biennium are as follows:

Salaries and wages is \$196,212 all of which is General;

Operating Expenses is \$44,165 all of which is General.

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.

For the 2025-2027 biennium, the Department of Health and Human Services would need appropriation authority in the following line items:

Salaries and wages is \$196,212 all of which is General;

Operating Expenses is \$44,165 all of which is General.

For the 2027-2029 biennium, the Department of Health and Human Services would need appropriation increases to

the base budget for HB 1413 in the following line items:
Salaries and wages is \$204,742 all of which is General;
Operating Expenses is \$12,438 all of which is General.

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