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## Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Assumptions include \$21.4M annual issuance, 6 yr avg bond life, marginal tax rate 6.77%, average coupon rate 4.8%. Cost will increase incrementally (step up) for 6 years, peak at year 6 and continue at that level indefinately unless assumptions change. Existing in state participation rate is 5%. In the first year the loss to existing revenue stream will be @ \$3500. In the 6th year, loss to existing revenue will be @ \$21,000. Assumed in state participation rate with double tax exemption is 35% (based on other states experience). Cost for additional level of participation is an opportunity cost, not a cost to existing revenue stream. Unless we have double tax exemption, we won't have 35% participation to tax, unless all of that otherwise would be invested in a taxable instrument. Maximum opportunity cost assuming all additional in state investment in these bonds replaces investment in taxables, also steps up to @\$125,000 at the peak in year six.

Since all the interest rate savings from double tax exemption would be passed on to borrowers, interest deductions from taxable income will be decreased for for profit developers, and some of the above costs would be recaptured at some indeterminate rate.

Double tax exemption places WHEDA on an equal footing with WHEFA, local housing authorities, redevelopment authorities and other entities authorized under Chapter 229.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**