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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill proposes a tax credit for distributed power generation up to a limit of \$2,000,000 annually. To offset the lost General Fund revenue from the credit, the bill requires the Secretary of Administration to identify General Fund GPR appropriations that reimburse the capital improvement fund --where expenditures are less than estimates for capital projects-- then reduce estimated expenditures in those appropriations the following year in an amount up to \$2,000,000. This would effectively offset the revenue lost due to the tax credit by reducing General Fund expenditures.

General Fund GPR appropriations normally do not reimburse the capital improvement fund as presumed in the bill, however. Debt service appropriations, including GPR appropriations, do pay into the bond security and redemption fund to pay off state debt. The payments from appropriations to the bond security and redemption fund are to cover capital and interest cost for projects undertaken in the capital improvement fund for which bond proceeds were applied.

Debt service appropriations are sum sufficient and estimated on the basis of scheduled debt. Any reduction in debt service appropriation estimates would not be an actual reduction in state General Fund costs since the repayment obligations would require re-estimates back to the actual levels of payments regardless of the estimated levels or any reduced estimated levels.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Cost would be up to \$2,000,000 annually depending on the use of the credit.