

ORIGINAL UPDATED

LRB or Bill No/Admin Rule #

CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

SB ~~405~~ 5

FISCAL ESTIMATE

DOA-2018 N(R 10/98)

Amendment No if Applicable

Subject

Reimbursement of Costs for Emergency Response Teams

Fiscal Effect

State - No Fiscal Effect

Increase Costs - May be possible within existing agency budget
 Yes No

Increase Existing Appropriation

Increase Existing Revenue

Decrease Existing Appropriation

Decrease Existing Revenue

Decrease Costs

Create New Appropriation

Local - No Local Government Costs

Increase Costs

Permissive Mandatory

Increase Revenues

Permissive Mandatory

Types of Govt Affected:

Towns

Villages

Counties

School Districts

Cities

WTCS Districts

Other

Decrease Cost

Permissive Mandatory

Decrease Revenues

Permissive Mandatory

Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
20.465 (3)(dr)

Assumptions Used In Arriving at this Estimate:

The bill provides that a Level B emergency response team may be reimbursed by the Division of Emergency Management for costs associated with responding in "good faith" to a potential spill of hazardous material, even if no spill actually occurs. For example, a truck containing hazardous materials could tip over, but the containers containing the materials could remain intact. Local authorities may very well call in the team until the situation is completely evaluated.

Under current law, the division reimburses the team for the costs and then seeks reimbursement from the responsible party. However, current statutory language does not clarify whether the responsible party can be held responsible if no spill actually occurs. The proposed bill specifically authorizes WEM to seek reimbursement under these circumstances.


Since the response costs are borne by the responsible party, there is no cost to the state. In fact, state costs may be reduced in these instances. Past experience indicates that the emergency response supplement has been charged approximately \$4,000 for reimbursement to the teams, where the responsible party has refused to reimburse the state for costs because a spill had not actually occurred.

Long Range Fiscal Implications:

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