

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

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LRB Number 05-4240/4	Introduction Number AB-1212
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Description
 Public financing of campaigns for the office of justice of the supreme court, fund raising during state budget consideration, representation by former state officials, service by former legislators or legislative employees as lobbyists, making appropriations, and providing penalties

Fiscal Effect

State:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs |
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Local:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
<input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
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Fund Sources Affected **Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

GPR
 FED
 PRO
 PRS
 SEG
 SEGS 20.510

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This legislation authorizes funding from general purpose revenue (GPR) to finance the campaigns of candidates for supreme court justice. Funds are available for both the primary campaign (up to \$100,000 per candidate) and the election campaign (up to \$300,000 per candidate). For the purpose of this fiscal estimate it is assumed that there will be an election for justice each year – in fact justices are elected in 7 out of 10 years. It is assumed that for a biennial budget period one of the elections will be for an open seat. In the case of an election to fill an open seat, it is assumed that 5 candidates will compete in the primary election.

The legislation will require up to \$1,100,000 in GPR funding (5 candidates each receiving \$100,000 and two candidates each receiving an additional \$300,000) for an open seat and \$600,000 in the year when the incumbent seeks re-election and has a single challenger.

The legislation provides additional funding for a candidate to offset spending by an opponent who does not accept public funding. It also provides additional funding to a candidate to offset any independent expenditures over a set amount. It is not realistic to make any assumptions on the amount of GPR funds needed to meet these costs.

The remaining changes will require the State Elections Board to modify its informational manuals, training materials and instruction forms. This will involve a one-time cost of \$10,000 for drafting, printing and distribution.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The campaign funding costs will recur each biennium. If no election is scheduled for justice in a fiscal year, the costs will be reduced. If there is more than one open seat or more than one primary in a biennium, the costs will increase.