

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

Original
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LRB Number 07-2801/1	Introduction Number AB-0649
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Description
 prohibiting municipal electric or water utilities from collecting certain utility arrearages from owners of rental properties as property liens

Fiscal Effect

State:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <u>Sanitary Districts</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
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Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would eliminate the ability of municipal electric and water and sewer utilities to use the tax roll as a method of collection of unpaid water, sewer and electric bills from the owner of a rental property. Municipal utilities would possibly incur more costs as a result of this prohibition through alternatives such as, increased uncollectables or the cost of bill collection agencies. Ultimately, unpaid utility bills would be written off as unrecoverable and increase the utility's cost of operation. The actual fiscal impact on municipalities is unknown because statistics are not available.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown