

Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 13-2215/1		Introduction Number AB-0353		
Description Scope of regulated activity under the campaign finance law, public financing of elections for certain state offices, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, making appropriations, and providing a penalty				
Fiscal Effect				
State:				
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate				
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues		
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<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				
Local:				
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs				
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate				
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue		
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<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		
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.511				
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would provide public financing to candidates for state office who elected to obtain such financing. It would provide base grants plus additional amounts as candidates meet the threshold requirements for obtaining additional funding. Assuming (1) that every candidate applied and qualified for the base grant, (2) that the number of candidates in future would approximate the number in the 2010 election (gubernatorial election year) and 2012 (non-gubernatorial election year), and (3) that candidates would seek public funding for both the primary and general election we estimate a cost of \$35,975,000 in gubernatorial election years and \$19,300,000 in non-gubernatorial election years. The amounts could be less because not every candidate would apply and because unopposed candidates would not be eligible. The amounts could be more because candidates would also be eligible for greater amounts since candidates can receive an additional \$75 for each \$25 campaign contribution received.

In addition, administration of the law would require changes to the Government Accountability Board's Campaign Finance Information System that would cost approximately \$40,000, and the addition of 1 FTE to ensure eligibility for each candidate request for public funding. This cost would be approximately \$70,000 including fringe benefits.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications