

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	13-1268/1	Introduction Number	SB-140	Estimate Type	Original
Description County authority relating to exploration for a type of industrial sand					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill authorizes counties to issue licenses for frac sand exploration, which consists of drilling holes for the purpose of searching for frac sand or establishing the nature and extent of a frac sand deposit. Under the bill, a person who applies to a county for a frac sand exploration license must submit a bond to ensure that drillholes will be properly filled and proof that the person has liability insurance covering personal injury and property damage. The bill requires a licensee to notify the county before beginning drilling and before filling a drillhole. The bill requires the Department of Natural Resources to provide technical assistance related to frac sand exploration to a county upon request.

State Fiscal Impact

The bill would have no fiscal impact at the state level since the Department is already providing technical assistance, as needed, to counties related to frac sand exploration.

Local Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact to counties is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications