Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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Fiscal Effect					
Appropriations Revenu	se Existing absorb within	agency's budg			
2. Decrease Costs 4. Decrease	Sive Mandatory Towns		Cities		
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR PRO PRO SEG SEGS 20.445 (1) (a)					
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the rights of employees to request and receive work schedule changes; predictable work schedules for retail, food service, and cleaning employees; granting rule-making authority; and providing a penalty

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill provides that an employee who works for an employer, that employs at least 15 employees, has the right to request and receive changes to the employee's work schedule under certain circumstances including 1) a serious health condition of the employee; 2) responsibilities of the employee as a caregiver for a child or other family member; 3) enrollment of the employee in an educational or training program that leads to a postsecondary credential; and 4) work scheduling conflicts of an employee who is part time with employee's other employment. Unless an employer has a bona fide business reason for denying the request, the employer must approve the request.

The bill also provides that employers of nonexempt employees in certain retail, food service, or cleaning occupations must provide the employee with a written copy of the employee's work schedule on or before the employee's first day of work. With certain exceptions, if an employer changes a work schedule, the employer must provide the new schedule no later than 14 days in advance.

The bill allows the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to promulgate rules to apply the protections afforded under the bill to additional occupations if DWD determines that at least 10 percent of the individuals employed in an occupation either typically receive notice of changes to their work schedules less than 14 days before the change takes effect, or regularly experience fluctuations in their scheduled hours. In implementing this section of the bill, DWD would incur costs, but they are indeterminate at this time.

The bill provides that an employer may not interfere with, restrain, discharge or discriminate against an employee for enforcing the employee's rights under the bill. An employee whose rights are violated may file a complaint with DWD. DWD or an employee whose rights are violated may bring an action in circuit court against the employer without regard to exhaustion of any administrative remedy.

The DWD Equal Rights Division estimates receiving between 500 to 800 complaints under this bill, annually. This number of increased complaints is estimated to create workload commensurate with 4.0 FTE positions (three Equal Rights Officers and one Administrative Law Judge) at a cost of \$399,700 GPR. One-time administrative costs for adding 4.0 FTE would be \$14,000 GPR. In addition, a one-time cost of \$20,000 GPR would be needed to develop new education materials and publications.

DWD, along with other employers affected by the proposed legislation, including local governments, may incur costs related to administration or implementation of the bill or penalties outlined in the bill. These costs are indeterminate at this time.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The number of increased complaints is estimated to create workload commensurate with 4.0 FTE positions (three Equal Rights Officers and one Administrative Law Judge) at a cost of \$399,700 GPR, annually,

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Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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l. One-time Costs annualized fiscal e	or Revenue Impacts for State effect):	and/or Local Government	(do not include in	
	ative costs for adding 4.0 FTE v			
II. Annualized Cos	its:	Annualized Fis	scal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs	
A. State Costs by	Category			
State Operations	s - Salaries and Fringes	\$314,100	\$	
(FTE Position Ch	nanges)	(4.0 FTE)		
State Operations	s - Other Costs	85,600		
Local Assistance				
Aids to Individua	ls or Organizations			
TOTAL State	Costs by Category	\$399,700	\$	
B. State Costs by	Source of Funds			
GPR		399,700		
FED				
PRO/PRS				
SEG/SEG-S				
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le.g., tax ilicrease	, decrease in license ice, ets.	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GPR Taxes		\$	\$	
GPR Earned				
FED				
PRO/PRS				
SEG/SEG-S				
TOTAL State	Revenues	\$	\$	
		ZED FISCAL IMPACT		
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN	COSTS	\$399,700	\$	
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$	

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