

Revised based on amendments adopted through 3-3-20

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2020-21		FY 2021-22	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$1,600	\$2,540	\$1,600	\$8,180
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,600	\$2,540	\$1,600	\$8,180

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

The provisions of LB 834 were amended into the bill. LB 834 amends the Engineers and Architects Regulation Act. Two requirements that are removed will increase revenue. Those are: 1) the requirement for architect examination applicants to apply to the board prior to examination, and 2) the requirement that engineer examination applicants obtain four years of experience before applying for examination. Another provision will increase cash fund costs. It allows for compensation for members of the Board of Engineers and Architects for participation in or attendance at board activities conducted by phone or electronic means.

The removal of the requirement that architect examination applicants apply to the board prior to examination will result in a net increase in revenue. The board has previously only charged a fee for architect examination re-approval applicants. As a result the board estimates a reduction in the revenue from re-approval applicants, but an increase in revenue from architect examination applicants from the new application fee, to be paid after examination, which is estimated to be set at \$50. Removal of the requirement engineer applicants obtain four years of experience before applying to take the examination results in a short-term increase in revenue from engineer examination applicants who have less than four years of experience who apply to take the engineering examination. The current fee is \$30 dollars. The increased revenue is estimated to be in FY 2021 and FY 2021-22 only and thereafter, applicant numbers will return to normal levels. The revenue increase is \$2,540 in FY 2020-21 and \$8,180 in FY 2021-22.

The board estimates the provision allowing compensation for telephonic or electronic activities to result in an increase of \$1,600 in per diem expenditures per year.