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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2007-08		FY 2008-09	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below			

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill establishes the Hepatitis C Education and Prevention Act. An 18-member task force is created to do the following: 1) develop a proposal to promote public awareness and education, 2) develop educational opportunities targeting health care professionals, 3) develop strategies for collaboration among state agencies to address the needs of persons at risk or affected by hepatitis C and 4) evaluate funding sources to address the epidemic of hepatitis C. A report to the governor and the Health and Human Services Committee is required on or before December 31, 2007. The bill terminates on the same date. The chair of the legislature's Health and Human Services Committee will chair the task force and staff support will be provided by committee staff.

Board members would be reimbursed for travel costs. Of the 18 members, 9 are not state employees. State employees would have their travel paid by their respective agencies. The state agencies could handle these costs within their existing budget. The cost to reimburse travel for non-state employees will depend on the where the members live and the number of meetings. Based on the average reimbursement for the Behavioral Health Commission, the cost could range between \$500 and \$1,500 in FY 08. These costs can be paid from the Health Care Cash Fund appropriation to the Legislative Council.