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LB 43

Revision: 01 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

Revised to include new agency response.

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

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

LB 43 establishes a permit system to be used by the Department of Roads when allowing the mowing and harvesting of hay on the state's right-of-ways. The owner or owner's assignee of land abutting the right-of-way is to be given priority when issuing permits until July 30 of each year. The Department is to charge a permit fee in an amount calculated to defray administration costs.

The Department of Roads has stated on their attached fiscal note that having to verify land ownership of applicants will significantly increase the time to process each permit, which will in turn increase expenditures. Since the price of the permit will be set to cover these administrative costs the net impact to the Department will be zero, however, the price of the permits will have to rise accordingly.

The Department also mentions on their fiscal note that allowing abutting landowners to mow the right-of-ways may increase the cost of contracted mowing on the remaining portions. No estimate is given by the Department on the projected change in contract costs.

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DEPARTMENT OF ROADS: Indeterminate fiscal impact.						