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LB 459

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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$3,068,500		\$3,068,500	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$3,068,500		\$3,068,500	

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

LB 459 amends the Firefighter Cancer Benefit Act by providing for the State Fire Marshal to reimburse the cost of premiums for enhanced cancer benefits provided pursuant to the Act.

Based on estimates for the number of eligible individuals, premiums, and participation, the Fire Marshal estimates the reimbursement amount of \$3,001,225 per year. In order to address the increased workload associated with LB 459, the Fire Marshal would need to hire an accountant at an annual cost of \$67,245.

There is no basis to disagree with these estimates.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE		
LB: 459	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: State Fire Marshal (021)
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 03/10/2023	PHONE: (402) 471-4178
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the State Fire Marshal estimate of Potential Fiscal Impact to the Agency from LB 459.		

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LB⁽¹⁾ 459

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ State Fire Marshal Agency

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	<u>3,068,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,068,500</u>	<u>0</u>
CASH FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FEDERAL FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
OTHER FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>3,068,500</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>3,068,500</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 459 will require the State Fire Marshal Agency to reimburse "...any rural or suburban fire protection district, airport authority, city, village, or nonprofit corporation..." for the annual costs of premiums paid by these entities for enhanced cancer insurance benefits pursuant to the Firefighter Cancer Benefits act. To carry out the requirements of this proposal the Agency will receive premium information from each entity offering the coverage and then reimburse the costs of those premiums. It is estimated that there are 17,500 individuals eligible for coverage with a cost of \$190.00 per individual premium. It is estimated there would be 90% participation in the program, as the cost of the premiums is fully covered. One full time FTE will be hired to maintain contacts with the entities, get each entity set up in the state financial systems, processes the information for premiums paid by each entity, and get reimbursements sent to the entities. This is a total cost of \$3,068,500.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Accountant I	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>34,525</u>	<u>34,525</u>
Benefits.....			<u>32,720</u>	<u>32,720</u>
Operating.....			<u>3,001,255</u>	<u>3,001,255</u>
Travel.....			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Capital outlay.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Aid.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Capital improvements.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	<u>3,068,500</u>	<u>3,068,500</u>