

HF505 - 1E - Legislative Task Force on Design of State Flag

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
General Fund	-	-	9	-	-	-
Total	-	-	9	-	-	-
Biennial Total			9			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions are shown in parentheses.

*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands		FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
General Fund		-	-	9	-	-
Total		-	-	9	-	-
Biennial Total				9		-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
General Fund						
Expenditures		-	-	22	-	-
Absorbed Costs		-	-	(13)	-	-
Total		-	-	9	-	-
Biennial Total				9		-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
General Fund						
Total		-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total				-		-

Bill Description

The bill creates a Legislative Task Force on Design of the State Flag that consists of six members; three senators and three representatives. The task force will study the state flag and suggest any desired changes. It may solicit voluntary services and technical expert assistants from the public. The task force expires after submitting its report to the legislature by January 15, 2021.

Assumptions

1. The task force will meet within the Capitol campus six times in FY21. The fiscal note is based on all meetings occurring during the interim.
2. The bill does not provide for payment of per diems or for the reimbursement of expenses of legislators serving on the task force. However, members could request reimbursement from the House and Senate for expenses of engaging in legislative activity. This fiscal note is based on the assumption that the members will be paid per diems and receive reimbursement for their expenses.
3. Legislative member meeting participation cost include the following per member per interim meeting costs: per diem (\$86 senators, \$66 representatives), \$88 round trip mileage (153 round trip mile average), and lodging for half of the legislative members (\$150/night senators, \$150/night representatives).
4. The bill does not provide for any compensation for technical expert assistance from the public.
5. The bill does not provide for any compensation for task force support.
6. We assume House Research Department (HRD) will provide support of a composite of .029 FTE staff time in FY21 (approximately 60 hours) to cover the six task force meetings.
7. We assume Senate Counsel, Research and Fiscal Analysis (SCRFA) will provide support of a composite of .029 FTE staff time in FY21 (approximately 60 hours) to cover the six task force meetings.
8. We assume that the Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) will provide a composite of .042 FTE commission administrative staff support (approximately 88 hours) in FY21. Assistance will include agenda development, meeting facilitation, coordination of solicitation of services, and review of proposals received.
9. For this fiscal note we assume that for the House, Senate and LCC existing staff will be utilized and cost may be absorbed by the House, Senate and LCC, although that will depend on the priorities of the legislature and staff time required for competing projects.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

<u>Member Meeting Participation</u>	FY21
Senate Member Mtg Participation Cost	5,000
House Member Mtg Participation Cost	4,000
Total Member Mtg Participation Cost	9,000
<u>Staff Support Cost</u>	FY21
Senate - SCRFA (FY21 .029 FTE, 60 Hrs)	4,000
House - HRD (FY21 .029 FTE, 60 Hrs)	4,000
LCC - Commission Administrative Support (FY21 .25 FTE, 52 hours)	5,000
Total Staff Cost	13,000
Staff Cost Absorbed by the Senate, House and LCC	(13,000)
Net Staff Cost	0
<u>Summary of Total Cost</u>	FY21
Member meeting participation cost	9,000
Staff support cost	13,000
Total cost	22,000
Cost absorbed	(13,000)
Net cost	9,000

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

N/A

Local Fiscal Impact

N/A

References/Sources

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