

HF2895 - 0 - Spousal Maintenance Modified

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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	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium		
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
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

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

State Cost (Savings) = 1-2		Biennium			Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-
1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-
2 - Revenues, Transfers In*						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Bill Description

HF2895-0 amends spousal maintenance provisions in Minn. Stat. §518.552. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 2 amends the factors that must be considered by the court in determining the amount of spousal maintenance awards. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 3 is amended to change the terminology and factors used when defining the duration of an award of spousal maintenance. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 5a is added to address the termination of maintenance awards on death or remarriage. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 5b is added to permit modification of spousal maintenance awards by motion of either party under the circumstances listed therein. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 6 and subd. 7 are amended to address modification of spousal maintenance awards based on cohabitation and retirement, respectively. Minn. Stat. §518.552, subd. 8 is added, which requires, “The state court administrator’s office shall prepare and make available to court administrators, obligors, and persons to whom spousal maintenance is owed a form to be submitted in support of a motion for a modification of an order for maintenance or for contempt of court.”

Assumptions

It is assumed that the amendments in this bill may impact the number of filings of motions for modification of spousal maintenance filings, but it cannot be determined if the number of modification filings may increase or decrease.

It is assumed that the provisions requiring the state court administrator’s office (“SCAO”) to prepare and make available forms for a motion for a modification of an order for maintenance or for contempt of court would require review and approval based on SCAO policies and procedures.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

This bill is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact on the Minnesota Judicial Branch, and any forms work or updates required will be absorbed.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Local Fiscal Impact

References/Sources

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