

**HF3396 - 0 - Property Tax Task Force Established**

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 Committee: **Taxes**  
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 Lead Agency: **Legislature**  
 Other Agencies:  
     Revenue Dept                      Secretary of State

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

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State Cost (Savings) Dollars in Thousands	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
<b>Legislature</b>					
General Fund	-	-	109	-	-
<b>State Total</b>					
General Fund	-	-	109	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>109</b>		-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
<b>Legislature</b>					
General Fund	-	-	.63	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>.63</b>	-	-

**Lead 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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<b>Legislature</b>						
General Fund		-	-	109	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				<b>109</b>		-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
Legislature						
General Fund						
Expenditures		-	-	134	-	-
Absorbed Costs		-	-	(25)	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				<b>109</b>		-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
Legislature						
General Fund						
		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>				-		-

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General Fund	-	-	109	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>109</b>			-

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General Fund	-	-	.63	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	<b>.63</b>	-	-

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General Fund		-	-	109	-	-
<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>		<b>109</b>			-	-
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
General Fund						
Expenditures		-	-	134	-	-
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<b>Total</b>		-	-	<b>109</b>	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>		<b>109</b>			-	-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
General Fund						
<b>Total</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>		-			-	-

**Bill Description**

The bill establishes a Property Tax Task Force. The eight-member task force will be composed of two senators, two representatives, the commissioner of Department of Revenue (DOR), two local government members and one public citizen of which must be appointed by June 15, 2026. The task force must hold their first meeting by July 15, 2026, must meet at regular intervals until November 1, 2026. The task force must submit a report containing its findings and recommendations by January 15, 2027, at which point the group expires. Members may receive per diem and reimbursement of expenses under MS 15.059. The Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) must provide facilitation and administration assistance to the task force.

**Assumptions**

1. The task force will meet twice a month beginning July 2026 and concluding January 2027. All meetings will be held during FY27 with 12 meetings occurring during interim and two meetings occurring during session.
2. All meetings will be held within the Capitol complex with hybrid capacity. If the meeting locations were to be changed, additional cost would be incurred.
3. It is assumed that the DOR commissioner and the two local government members will not be eligible for per diem and will be reimbursed for their expenses by their local employer.
4. Any cost for DOR will be addressed by their fiscal note.
5. The one public citizen member will be eligible for per diem and reimbursement of expenses for their participation in task force meetings.
6. Public task force member meeting participation costs include the following per member per meeting costs: per diem (\$55), \$110 round trip mileage (152 round trip mile average), meals (\$42/day) and lodging for half of the public members (\$175/night).
7. The bill does not provide for payment of per diems or for the reimbursement of expenses of legislators serving on the task force. However, legislative members could request reimbursement for expenses of engaging in legislative activity. This fiscal note is based on the assumption that the legislative members will be paid per diem and reimbursement for their expenses for interim meetings. Additional funds will be needed by the House and Senate.
8. Legislative member meeting participation costs include the following per member, per legislative interim meeting: per diem (\$86 senators, \$86 representatives), and \$110 round trip mileage (152 round trip mile average). Half of the

legislative members will be reimbursed for lodging expenses (\$200/night senators, \$175/night representatives).

9. It is assumed that the task force chair will manage member discussion during task force meetings and external facilitation support will not be necessary. If external facilitation support is necessary, the LCC would need to contract for that service, and it would increase the cost by between \$75,000 and \$100,000 and the LCC would need new funds.
10. The LCC will provide administrative and meeting support to the task force. A part-time limited term analyst will be hired on July 1, 2026, and work through May 31, 2027 (957 hours, .46 FTE). The analyst will continue to serve after the expiration of the task force in order to track legislation and present the task force report when needed. A part-time limited term commission assistant will be hired on July 1, 2026, and work through February 28, 2027 (348 hours, .17 FTE). The commission assistant will continue to serve for a short time after the expiration of the task force to assist with close-out items and wrap-up of associated operations.
11. Additional funds will be needed for the associated costs for the new staff. Existing office workstations will be used for the newly hired staff. No office build-out cost will be incurred. For the analyst position, equipment will be provided (computer, monitors, phone). Existing equipment will be used for the commission assistant. Operational cost of services (share of copier maintenance, VoIP service) will be incurred. Other operational costs will be supplies, equipment repairs, software (operational, VPN, zoom, survey), and staff travel costs.
12. Since the LCC does not have expertise related to the subject area, the task force will be relying on DOR to help provide technical assistance and expertise to the task force.
13. The LCC executive director will dedicate a projected 84 hours (0.04 FTE) in FY27 to follow the work of the task force and oversee the assistance of the LCC. LCC will also provide fiscal service support and technical support for streaming of the task force meetings and website maintenance will be provided. The LCC will utilize existing staff, and nominal costs may be absorbed, although that will depend on the priorities of the legislature and staff time required for competing projects.
14. Senate Counsel, Research and Fiscal Analysis will follow the work of the task force. For this fiscal note, we projected 84 hours in FY27 (.04 FTE) although the actual amount of time that will be needed may vary. It is assumed for this fiscal note that existing Senate staff will be utilized, and costs may be absorbed, although that will depend on the priorities of the legislature and staff time required for competing projects.
15. House Research Department and House Fiscal Analysis Department will follow the work of the task force. For this fiscal note, we project 84 hours in FY27 (.04 FTE) although the actual amount of time that will be needed may vary. It is assumed that for this fiscal note that existing House staff will be utilized, and costs may be absorbed, although that will depend on the priorities of the legislature and staff time required for competing projects.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

<b><u>Member Meeting Participation Cost</u></b>				
Cost Category	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
Legislative Task Force Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	13,918	0	0
Public Task Force Member Mtg Participation Cost	0	5,351	0	0
<b>Total Task Force Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>Staffing Cost</u></b>				
Cost Category	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
SCRFA staff support - Counsel & Analyst II, Existing Staff (.04 FTE FY27, cost absorbed by Senate)	0	6,661	0	0
HRD & HFA staff support - Counsel & Analyst II, Existing Staff (.04 FTE FY27, cost absorbed by the House)	0	6,645	0	0
LCC Executive Director, Existing Staff (.04 FTE FY27, cost absorbed by the LCC)	0	11,238	0	0

LCC Analyst, New Hire (.46 FTE FY27, new cost)	0	67,199	0	0
LCC Commission Assistant, New Hire (.17 FTE FY27, new cost)	0	17,883	0	0
<b>Total Staff Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Senate Staff Cost Absorbed	0	(6,661)	0	0
House Staff Cost Absorbed	0	(6,645)	0	0
LCC Staff Cost Absorbed	0	(11,238)	0	0
<b>Total Staff Cost Absorbed (Existing Legislative Staff) (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Staff Cost (New Hires) (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>85,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>Equipment &amp; Operational Cost</u></b>				
Cost Category	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
Laptop, Docking Station and Monitors, Desktop Phones	0	2,900	0	0
Software (Operational, VPN connect, accessibility, Zoom, survey)	0	1,000	0	0
Maintenance, Repairs, Services	0	557	0	0
Staff Travel, Training & Supplies	0	700	0	0
<b>Total Equipment &amp; Operational Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b><u>Total Cost</u></b>				
Cost Category	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
Total Task Force Member Mtg Participation Cost (rounded)	0	19,000	0	0
Total Staff Cost (rounded)	0	110,000	0	0
Total Office Equipment & Operational Cost (rounded)	0	5,000	0	0
<b>Total Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>134,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Cost Absorbed (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(25,000)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net Total Cost (rounded)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>109,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29
<b>Total New FTEs</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.63</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

N/A

**Local Fiscal Impact**

N/A

**References/Sources**

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Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact	X	

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

HF 3396 establishes a Property Tax Task Force to investigate the causes of rising property taxes and recommend options to make local government budgets more transparent to the public.

Subd. 1 states that the Legislative Coordinating Commission shall facilitate the group and provide administrative assistance. The initial meeting must be held by July 15, 2026, and members may receive compensation and reimbursement of expenses as authorized by Minnesota Statutes section 15.059, subd. 3.

Subd. 2 states that the task force must consist of eight members, including the commissioner of revenue or their designee who must chair the initial meeting. All appointments must be made by June 15, 2026.

Subd. 3 states that the task force must meet regularly until November 1, 2026, to develop advisory recommendations for the legislature.

Subd. 4 states that by January 15, 2027, the task force must submit a report with its recommendations to the legislative committees overseeing property taxes. Those committees are then required to hold a public hearing on the report during that legislative session.

Subd. 5 states that the task force will be automatically dissolved once the report in subd. 4 is submitted.

This bill is effective the day following final enactment.

**Assumptions**

The Department of Revenue (Revenue) assumes the commissioner of revenue will chair the initial task force meeting, after which a member of its management team will serve on the task force as the commissioner’s designated appointee. Revenue assumes there will be approximately 14 task force meetings and that the commissioner/their designee will attend and participate in all meetings. Subject matter expertise and assistance as needed will be provided by Revenue staff. Revenue assumes it will assist in drafting and reviewing the required report in a limited capacity.

The Property Tax Division assumes it will conduct research and data analysis outside of the task force meetings as needed and provide relevant expertise. The division assumes a moderate level of involvement based on its subject matter expertise and the stated goals of the task force. All work related to the task force will be completed by existing staff in FY27.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

N/A

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

N/A

**Local Fiscal Impact**

Local governments will need to provide members to the task force (one county commissioner, one mayor, and one school board member). It is also assumed that local governments will need to provide any information deemed necessary by the task force.

**References/Sources**

Agency staff provided information for this fiscal note.

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

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<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**LBO Analyst's Comment**

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<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Biennial Total</b>			-			-

**Bill Description**

This bill would establish a property tax task force to investigate the causes of property tax increases and present options to increase transparency and standardize information contained in property tax notices. Lines 1.12 through 1.15 describe the administration and facilitation of the task force and note that compensation is subject to Minn. Stat. 15.059. Lines 1.16 through 2.6 describe the appointment of the task force's members. Lines 2.7 through 2.15 describe the task force's duties.

**Assumptions**

Minnesota Statutes sections 15.0597 and 15.0599 require the secretary of state to publish notices of vacancies, collect applications, assist with appointments, and prepare reports on multimember agencies (including state boards, commissions, councils, committees, authorities, and task forces). As part of this process, the Office of the Secretary of State consults with all multimember agencies on their reporting and appointment requirements.

The Office of the Secretary of State assumes that whenever a new multimember agency is created, work is required by public records staff to establish the agency on the secretary’s website and to train the agency staff on how to appoint members to their agency and make other changes and requests. There is also some staff time spent consulting periodically with multimember agencies throughout the year.

**Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula**

***Board Set-up and Consultation***

8 hours of OSS Public Records staff time per new board at an average rate of salary and benefits of \$41.07/hour.

$$\$41.07 \times 8 = \$328.56$$

**\$328.56 (FY27)**

The Secretary of State is able to absorb the costs identified on a one-off basis, but as more multimember agencies are created each year by the legislature, the Office’s capacity to assist all entities in a timely manner will diminish and additional funding may be required. These activities are not anticipated to displace any other work of the office.

**Long-Term Fiscal Considerations**

None.

**Local Fiscal Impact**

N/A

**References/Sources**

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