

REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE

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Entire Bill *Check this box if the analysis covers the revenue impact of the entire bill.*

Partial Bill: *Check this box if the analysis addresses only certain sections of the bill. List the relevant sections of the bill after checking this box.*

Sponsor(s): *This should be the original member sponsor of the bill, even if it is a committee substitute. For example if the full listing was: "GENERAL BILL by Economic Affairs Committee; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Transportation and Highway Safety Subcommittee; Pilon; (CO-INTRODUCERS) Adkins; Brandes; Dorworth", the sponsor would be shown as "Pilon."*

Month/Year Impact Begins: *Put the actual date (month and year) that you assumed in your analysis rather than "upon becoming law" or some other generic label. This should be the date when the taxpayer's liability (actual or future) would first be affected by the bill (positively or negatively), not the effective date of the bill. If receipts by the state or local government are further lagged and affect the cash impact, include the lagged timeframe as well. For example:*

*July 2013
July 2013 (with a one-month collection lag)
January 2014 Tax Roll (affecting the 2014-15 school year)
January 2014 Tax Roll (affecting the 2014-15 local fiscal year)*

For all bills that are "upon becoming law" after a typical regular session, assume an effective date of June 1.

Date of Analysis: *If the analysis was reworked, this date should reflect the latest date the bill was analyzed as opposed to when it was originally submitted.*

Section 1: Narrative

- a. Current Law:** *This section should describe any aspects of current law which are changed by the legislation. The description should be detailed enough that someone not familiar with the issue can understand what the current situation is.*
- b. Proposed Change:** *This section should outline the changes made by the bill which could affect the current revenue stream. This should be detailed enough that someone not familiar with the issue can understand what the legislation actually does.*

Section 2: Description of Data and Sources

This section should list the sources for all data used in the analysis. It should include both publications and entities that provide relevant information. If referencing an adopted forecast, include the month and year the forecast was adopted (for example, Ad Valorem forecast adopted August 2012). If referencing data provided by someone else or produced through a special run, list the period covered by the data. If referencing a website, include the website address.

Section 3: Methodology (Include Assumptions and Attach Details)

This section should describe the methodology used to develop the estimate, including the qualitative differences between the High, Middle and Low estimates. It should provide sufficient detail that someone who doesn't look at the attached spreadsheet will have an understanding of how the estimate was derived. Do not direct the reader to the attachment as your entire explanation.

If the proposed impact is Indeterminate, explain why it cannot be feasibly estimated. In this regard, the Conference is changing several conventions as follows:

- Beginning with impacts developed for the 2013 Session, the Conference will adopt "at least as" or "minimum" estimates which reflect the known portion of estimates that could be much larger. In these cases, footnotes will be used to explain the potential magnitude of any amounts that could not be estimated.*
- Four new abbreviations have been added to the standard list:*

<i>Insignificant positive or 0</i>	<i>0/*</i>
<i>Insignificant negative or 0</i>	<i>(0/*)</i>
<i>Indeterminate positive or 0</i>	<i>0/**</i>
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Section 4: Proposed Fiscal Impact

The Middle estimate should be the analyst’s view of the most likely or probable outcome. The High and Low estimates should also be outcomes which could be reasonably expected to occur under normal circumstances; however, it is not necessary to provide them if only the Middle estimate is probable.

	High		Middle		Low	
	Cash	Recurring	Cash	Recurring	Cash	Recurring
2013-14						
2014-15						
2015-16						
2016-17						
2017-18						

List of Affected Trust Funds: This information is used to determine whether the General Revenue Service Charge will be assessed, as well as to provide transparency to users of the specific trust funds that are impacted by the proposed legislation. For the following tax sources when the proposed change is not to the distribution, just use the designation shown: Sales Tax Fund Grouping, CST Fund Grouping, Documentary Stamp Tax Fund Grouping, Cigarette Tax Fund Grouping, and Article V Fund Grouping. If there are no affected trust funds because the impact is all General Revenue or Local/Other, just indicate “None”.

TABLE CHANGES: Five years of estimates should be included for each impact. For any impact that is expected to have smooth growth after reaching its first full year of implementation, the recurring and cash impacts should be the same for that year and each year thereafter—with the recurring impacts for prior years developed by assuming that the bill had been in place for that year. See TABLE A below for an example; each set of columns represents a different year of implementation.

TABLE A	FULL IMPACT	YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION --- Smooth Growth Pattern After Implementation									
		YR 1		YR 2		YR 3		YR 4		Yr 5	
		Cash	Rec	Cash	Rec	Cash	Rec	Cash	Rec	Cash	Rec
2013-14	100	100	100	0	100	0	100	0	100	0	100
2014-15	110	110	110	110	110	0	110	0	110	0	110
2015-16	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	0	120	0	120
2016-17	130	130	130	130	130	130	130	130	130	0	130
2017-18	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140	140

For any impact that is expected to have smooth growth after reaching its first full year of implementation, but has a first year with only a partial impact: (1) the cash impact should be appropriately reduced for the first year; (2) the recurring impact for the first year should assume that the bill had been in place for the full year; and (3) subsequent years should have cash equal to recurring. In addition, the recurring impacts for prior years will be developed by assuming that the bill had been in place for that year. See TABLE A1 below for an example; each set of columns represents a different year of implementation.

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The heading for "Local" has now been changed to "Local/Other." Beginning with impacts developed for the 2013 Session, the Conference will use the following specifications:

- *Water Management Districts = Local*
- *State University System = Other*
- *State College System = Other*