

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
03/09/2007

Amendment to: Engrossed
SB 2303

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$85,000		\$85,000	
Appropriations						

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill creates a health information technology steering committee which will make recommendations for implementing a statewide health information infrastructure consistent with emerging national standards.

The amendment to this bill removes \$100,000 of general fund appropriation.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

In Section 1.2, it states that the Department of Health is to provide administrative services to assist the steering committee. In Section 1.3, it states that the steering committee is to develop a grant program to assist in the planning and implementation of health technology projects. Since the appropriation to this bill has been removed, it will be impossible to carryout these activities.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Section 1.2 indicates the Department of Health is to provide administrative services to assist the steering committee. Section 1.3 indicates the steering committee is to develop a grant program to assist in the planning and implementation of health technology projects. The bill is unclear as to where the grants administration program would be housed. If the Department of Health is to be responsible for administrating the grants program, and providing administrative services to the steering committee we would need \$85,000 of general funds for an HSPA IV (.5 FTE), including \$19,000 for operating expenses.

Since there are not dollars available to fund this program, we suggest the language in Section 1.3 be removed from the bill.

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and*

appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

The fiscal impact of this bill is not included in the Department of Health's appropriation bill (HB 1004). General funds will need to be appropriated.

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