

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
02/20/2017

Amendment to: Engrossed SB 2313

- 1 A. **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.*

	2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium		2019-2021 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0

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

	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium	2019-2021 Biennium
Counties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cities	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Districts	\$0	\$0	\$0
Townships	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

Section 1 creates a wind energy reclamation program similar to the pipeline reclamation program created by SB 2271 during the 64th Legislative Assembly.

- 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.*

Section 1 of the bill creates a wind energy restoration and reclamation oversight program. The oversight program has two primary functions: 1) to provide technical education, support, and outreach to property owners on wind property reclamation and 2) to contract with ombudsmen to provide technical support and follow up on wind property issues.

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.*

N/A

- 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.*

The agriculture commissioner will have expenditures to oversee the wind energy restoration and reclamation oversight program. A separate line item was created in the agriculture commissioner's budget for the 15-17 biennium for the pipeline reclamation program. Expenditures from the additional wind energy line item will primarily be payments to contract ombudsmen to resolve reclamation complaints and development of outreach and educational information and materials.

- 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

This bill does not contain any appropriation language for the new wind energy reclamation program. There is no funding for this program in the agriculture commissioner's budget (HB 1009)

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