

FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2007-08		FY 2008-09	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
CASH FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
FEDERAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
OTHER FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 361 prohibits public bodies, public officials and public employees from authorizing the use of public funds for the purpose of paying dues or membership fees to an organization if there is reason to believe or know that such dues or fees will be used "for the purpose of campaigning for or against the nomination or election of a candidate or the qualification, passage, or defeat of a ballot issue."

The true fiscal impact of these provisions cannot be determined without an exhaustive search of the organizational memberships that any and all state agencies maintain. Furthermore, the campaigning nature of such organizations would need to be determined.

Many such organizations perform lobbying efforts. Under the provisions of LB 361. Potentially, membership in many organizations could be prohibited if paid for with public funds. Ending such existing memberships would undoubtedly result in dollar savings to the state, but the degree to which savings will be realized is indeterminate.

A more likely result of the bill's provisions would impact political subdivisions with memberships in organizations which charge dues or membership fees. Under LB 361, such fees would have to be paid with non-public funds.