

FINAL FISCAL NOTE

Prime Sponsors: Sen. Cooke Bill Status: Vetoed by the Governor

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BIII Topic: PUBLISH COUNTY FINANCIAL REPORTS ONLINE ANNUALLY

Summary of

State Revenue

Fiscal Impact:

□ State Expenditure
□ State Transfer
□ Statutory Public Entity

This bill reduces the frequency in which certain county reports must be published in a newspaper. This decreases county costs by a minimal amount on an ongoing

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basis.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

This fiscal note reflects the final bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, counties are required to publish expense reports, salary reports, and financial statements in at least one legal newspaper in the county. This bill changes the frequency and manner in which these reports and statements must be published. Under this bill, the salary report must be published once annually instead of twice annually. Prior to January 1, 2022, these reports and statements must still be published in at least one legal newspaper; however after January 1, 2022, these reports may be posted on the county website with a link to at least one legal newspaper in which they are published.

Local Government

By reducing the frequency in which the salary report must be published in at least one legal newspaper, this bill decreases the cost of such publication beginning January 1, 2019. The cost savings is projected to range from \$100 to \$500 per year, per county. Costs will vary by county depending on the rates and number of the newspapers in which these reports are published.

Effective Date

This bill was vetoed by the Governor on June 5, 2018.

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State and Local Government Contacts

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