

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill No.: HB 372
Subject: Attorney General, State: Business and Commerce; Consumer Protection
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development** assume this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume there will be no fiscal impact on the Courts.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assume that this proposal will result in an increase in the number of consumer complaints filed. While the number of new complaints is unknown, it would likely increase the workload of consumer investigators and staff attorneys who follow up on these complaints. The AGO assumes that total new cost is unknown but would be less than \$100,000. **Oversight** assumes that until complaints are filed, AGO can absorb costs with existing resources. If additional personnel is needed, requests would be made through the appropriation process.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses that do not comply with this provision could see a negative fiscal impact due to penalties and court costs.

DESCRIPTION

This proposed legislation requires that any offer of a rebate be paid within 30 days of the submission of all rebate requirements by the applicant. The proposal contains penalty provisions.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Attorney General
Department of Economic Development
Office of State Courts Administrator



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