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TO: Honorable Teel Bivins, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2424 by McCall (Relating to technical changes to taxes and fees administered by the

comptroller; providing penalties.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated during the next five fiscal years.

Under current law, the provision granting a reduced tax rate on high-cost natural gas would not apply to wells spudded or completed after September 1, 2010. The bill would extend the reduced tax rate to high-cost wells drilled after September 1, 2010. This provision would result in a significant loss of state revenue beginning in fiscal year 2010.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 454 Department of Insurance

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