

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB162 by Raymond (Relating to an annual state budget and legislative budget sessions in even-numbered years and to political contributions made during a legislative session.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB162, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2013.

However, the fiscal impact to the state would be (\$2,611,856) for even numbered years beginning in Fiscal Year 2014

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	(\$2,611,856)
2015	(\$107,000)
2016	(\$2,611,856)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2011
2012	\$0	0.0
2013	\$0	0.0
2014	(\$2,611,856)	60.0
2015	(\$107,000)	3.0
2016	(\$2,611,856)	60.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend Chapters 301, 316, 317, and 403 of the Government Code, and Chapter 253 of the Election Code, to make changes that would reflect annual sessions of the Legislature and annual state budgets.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2013, but only if the constitutional amendment proposed by the 82nd Legislature is approved by the voters. If the proposed amendment is not approved by the voters, the bill would have no effect.

Methodology

The cost for the per diem of the members of the legislature is estimated to be \$1.74 million for the 60 day budget session. The House and Senate would require an additional 53 FTE's and associated costs are estimated to be \$414,856. Legislative Council would require an additional 7 FTEs and associated costs and administrative costs are estimated to be \$453,000 in the even numbered years and \$107,000 in the odd numbered years.

This analysis assumes a 60 day budget session. A 30 day extension would increase these costs.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 103 Legislative Council, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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