

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

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**TO:** Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB76** by Smithee (Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public funds to pay bail bonds.), **As Introduced**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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**Local Government Impact**

There could be an impact on political subdivisions that spend public funds to pay nonprofit organizations in the amount of a defendant's bail bond. The political subdivisions could also be liable for attorney's fees and costs if a taxpayer or resident prevails in an injunctive relief action.

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