FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: SB0169 **Title:** Increase penalties for natural gas pipeline safety violations

Primary Sponsor: Gallus, S **Status:** Third Reading

Sponsor signature Date David Ewer, Budget Director Date

Fiscal Summary

	FY 2006 Difference	FY 2007 Difference
Expenditures:		
General Fund	$0	$0
Federal Special Revenue	$0	$0
Revenue:		
General Fund	$0	$0
Federal Special Revenue	(unknown)	(unknown)
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	$0	$0

- ☐ Significant Local Gov. Impact
- ☐ Included in the Executive Budget
- ☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached
- ☐ Technical Concerns
- ☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts
- ☐ Needs to be included in HB 2

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Public Service Commission

1. Failure of this bill to pass would result in the Public Service Commission's pipeline program to lose points on its annual certification.
2. Losing points would result in a reduction of the amount of federal funding that is granted to the PSC each year for its pipeline safety program.
3. The fiscal impact from this bill is unknown. The PSC is unable to estimate the loss of federal funding if this bill does not pass.
4. The PSC is also unable to estimate the amount of penalties. Since the inception of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Program in 1971 there has never been a civil penalty issued for a pipeline safety violation. If collected, the fines collected under this act would be deposited in the general fund.