



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2015 Biennium

<b>Bill #</b>	HB0221	<b>Title:</b>	Revise campaign finance laws
<b>Primary Sponsor:</b>	Miller, Mike	<b>Status:</b>	As Introduced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts           | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

### FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2014</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2015</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2016</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017</u> <u>Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$71,639	\$68,739	\$69,770	\$70,817
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance:</b>	<u>(\$71,639)</u>	<u>(\$68,739)</u>	<u>(\$69,770)</u>	<u>(\$70,817)</u>

**Description of fiscal impact:** HB 221 requires the Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP) to conduct new research and analysis. COPP does not have the staff and/or expertise to conduct the research and analysis needed to accurately reflect a cost index to be applied to campaign limitations; therefore a professional consultant or a full time economist would be required to implement this legislation.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions:

- Hiring a professional consultant to collect the data needed and analyze the data is estimated to cost \$45,000 per quarter or \$180,000 annually.
- The alternative to contracting a professional consulting firm would be to hire a full time economist. The salary for a full time band 7 economist at 75% of market would be \$50,325 plus \$8,588 for benefits and \$8,796 for insurance for a total annual cost of \$67,709.
- One-time-only costs for a new employee office package and a laptop would add an additional \$2,900 in FY 2014. Phone and network expenses are anticipated to be \$1,030 annually.
- A 1.5% inflation factor is applied to FY 2016, and FY 2017.
- The current location of the COPP office does not have physical space available for another employee. There would likely be additional costs for rent to house the employee in another location as well.

	<u>FY 2014 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2015 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2016 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017 Difference</u>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact:</u></b>				
FTE	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>				
Personal Services	\$67,709	\$67,709	\$68,725	\$69,756
Equipment	\$3,930	\$1,030	\$1,045	\$1,061
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u>\$71,639</u>	<u>\$68,739</u>	<u>\$69,770</u>	<u>\$70,817</u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$71,639	\$68,739	\$69,770	\$70,817
<b>TOTAL Funding of Exp.</b>	<u>\$71,639</u>	<u>\$68,739</u>	<u>\$69,770</u>	<u>\$70,817</u>
<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	(\$71,639)	(\$68,739)	(\$69,770)	(\$70,817)

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