

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3438 - HB 3389

March 21, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that the Department of Health's annual nursing home inspection and enforcement activities report includes information on homes for the aged and the status and degree of compliance by such facilities with regard to sprinkler installation, smoke detectors and fire drills, and information on the involvement of local fire departments with each facility relative to the observance of annual fire drills.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently, surveys include inspections for facility compliance with regulations regarding sprinkler systems, smoke alarms and fire drills. Staff can gather information at the time of the facility's survey in a reportable format.
- The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in state expenditures to compile the information to include in the report. Any increase in workload can be absorbed within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director