

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3108 - SB 3445

February 5, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Directs the Commission on Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education to make grants from the Fire Prevention Fund to enable volunteer fire service personnel to attend the fire academy tuition free. Directs any surplus in the Fire Prevention Fund to be carried forward and not revert to the General Fund.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$165,700/Fire Prevention Fund

Other Fiscal Impact - Any surplus in the Fire Prevention fund will be carried forward and will not revert to the General Fund. Based on numbers from the last three fiscal years, an average amount of \$4,651,400 has reverted from the Fire Prevention Fund to the General Fund.

Assumptions:

- The Fire Academy currently receives tuition payments directly from volunteer firefighters. Under the provisions of this bill the tuition will be paid from the Fire Prevention Fund.
- The Fire Academy estimates approximately 1,000 students @ \$75 per student for the Basic Firefighter class (\$75,000), approximately 900 students @ \$85 per student for the Live Firefighting class (\$76,500), and 20 students @ \$709 each for the Recruit Firefighter class (\$14,180).

CERTIFICATION:

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



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