

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HR 118** HLS 26RS 1931

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: House of Representatives		Analyst: Julie Silva
Subject: Establishes a subcommittee to study water utility tax credits		

TAX/INCOME-CREDIT

RE INCREASE GF EX See Note

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Creates a legislative subcommittee to study the potential establishment of a state income tax credit for certain water utility customers

Proposed House Resolution creates the "Select House Committee on Water Utility Tax Credits" to study the potential establishment of a state income tax credit for certain water utility customers and authorizes the committee to hold meetings. The select committee will consist of three members of the House Committee on Commerce, three members appointed by the Speaker of the House, and one member of the Northshore Legislative Delegation appointed by the Speaker of the House. The Northshore Legislative Delegation member will serve as chairman. Proposed legislation further provides that the Speaker of the House shall designate staff to assist the committee in its work.

The select committee is required to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the members of the House of Representatives and the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library no later than 30 days prior to the 2027 Regular Session. The select committee terminates upon the convening of the 2027 Regular Session.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed resolution may result in an indeterminable, though not anticipated to be significant, increase in SGF expenditures in FY 27 associated with meetings of the Select House Committee on Water Utility Tax Credits. Members of the select committee will be eligible for legislative per diem of \$178 per meeting day, plus mileage reimbursement at the current rate of \$0.725 per mile. However, such expenditures may be reduced to the extent committee meetings coincide with other scheduled legislative committee meetings for which members are already eligible for per diem and mileage reimbursement.

The legislature routinely appropriates funding for interim committee meeting per diem and travel reimbursements; therefore, any associated expenditures pursuant to proposed legislation are anticipated to be absorbed within existing resources.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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