

Department of Planning and Budget 2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB1156

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Ticer

3. Committee Passed both Houses

4. Title Solicitation of contributions; commercial co-venturers

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill defines a commercial co-venturer as any person who (i) is organized for profit, (ii) is regularly and primarily engaged in trade or commerce, other than in connection with soliciting for charitable or civic organizations or charitable purposes, and (iii) conducts an advertised charitable sales promotion for a specified limited period of time. The bill makes commercial co-venturers subject to the solicitation of contributions law, although it does not require registration of these entities. The bill sets out record keeping and other requirements for commercial co-ventures involved in the conduct of any charitable sales promotion. The bill also defines charitable sales promotion as an advertised sale that features the names of both the commercial co-venturer and the charitable or civic organization and which states that the purchase or use of the goods, services, entertainment, or any other thing of value that the commercial co-venturer normally sells, will benefit the charitable or civic organization or its purposes. The bill provides that to qualify as a charitable sales promotion, the consumer must pay the same price for the thing of value as the commercial co-venturer usually charges without the charitable sales promotion and the consumer retains the thing of value. Finally, the bill removes the requirement for charitable organization registration forms to be notarized.

6. Fiscal impact estimates are: Final. See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: Removal of the notarization requirement will allow the agency to proceed with the electronic registration of charitable organizations. This will reduce costs associated with paper work for both the charitable organizations and the Office of Consumer Affairs.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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