

**Department of Planning and Budget
2004 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number SB183

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Blevins

3. Committee Passed Both Houses

4. Title Building Code regulations for safety standards in nursing homes and facilities

5. Summary/Purpose: The bill requires the Board of Housing and Community Development to promulgate regulations establishing standards for such additional fire detection and suppression systems as it deems necessary to increase the safety of persons in assisted living facilities, residential dwelling units marketed to senior citizens, nursing homes and nursing facilities. Nursing homes and nursing facilities with sprinkler systems are required to comply with the regulations relating only to smoke detectors.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are not available: SEE ITEM 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications: The bill would have a minimal fiscal impact on the state. The only fiscal impact is a result of staff time at the Department of Housing and Community Development necessary to develop and promulgate regulations to implement the new provisions of the building code. In addition, training of local building inspectors on the new provisions would also have an impact. However, the agency can absorb those costs as part of the standard process of implementing the building code.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Housing and Community Development.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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cc: Secretary of Commerce and Trade