

## Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB500

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

**2. Patron:** Armstrong

**3. Committee:** Commerce and Labor

**4. Title:** Consumer reports

**5. Summary/Purpose:** The bill requires each national consumer reporting agency to furnish to any consumer, upon request and at no charge, two complete consumer reports per calendar year. Currently, federal law requires such agencies to provide consumers with one free consumer report annually. Violations of the provisions are prohibited under the Consumer Protection Act.

**6. Fiscal Impact:** The bill does not have a fiscal impact for the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the agency responsible for investigating complaints under the Consumer Protection Act.

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** None.

**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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cc: Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry