

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB198

House of Origin	<u> X </u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Marshall, R.G.

3. Committee: Committee on Rules

4. Title: **Human Rights, Division of; establishment within Department of Law.**

5. Summary: This bill eliminates the Human Rights Council and establishes the Division of Human Rights within the Department of Law to carry out the powers and duties of the Human Rights Council. The bill contains technical amendments.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: The fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate. Savings may be achieved through the elimination of an agency head; however, the newly established division would most likely require a Division Director, whose salary would likely be less than the current agency head. Also, this action will result in a streamlining of functions so long-term savings could be expected, due to a pulling of resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Council on Human Rights and Department of Law

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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