Department of Planning and Budget 2009 Fiscal Impact Statement

- 1. Bill Number: HB2578

 House of Origin
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 Introduced
 Substitute

 Second House
 In Committee

 Substitute
 Enrolled
- **2. Patron:** Howell, A.T.
- 3. Committee: House Courts of Justice
- 4. Title: Novelty lighters.
- **5. Summary:** The proposed legislation would provide that any person who knowingly sells, distributes, or gives a novelty lighter to a person he knows or has reason to know is a juvenile, is subject to a fine of no more than \$100. The bill also provides that any juvenile who attempts to purchase a novelty lighter is subject to a fine of no more than \$100.

The bill provides that the State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) may adopt rules to administer the provisions of the bill.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

6a.	Expenditure Impact:
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Fiscal Year	Dollars	Positions	Fund		
2010	\$100,000		GF		
2011	\$100,000		GF		
2012	\$100,000		GF		
2013	\$100,000		GF		
2014	\$100,000		GF		
2015	\$100,000		GF		

- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. Item 407.
- 8. Fiscal Implications: The SFMO estimates the bill would require three additional wage positions statewide to coordinate enforcement efforts. The SFMO estimates it would incur additional costs in the first year of \$50,000 to develop the regulations. Since the bill contains an effective date of January 1, 2010, the wage costs would be lower the first year.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Fire Programs
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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