

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Patron** Jennifer L. McClellan

3. **Committee** Senate Local Government

4. **Title** Tax Amnesty Program; City of Richmond

2. **Bill Number** HB 358

House of Origin:

☐ **Introduced**

☐ **Substitute**

☐ **Engrossed**

Second House:

☒ **In Committee**

☐ **Substitute**

☐ **Enrolled**

5. Summary/Purpose:

This bill would authorize the City of Richmond to expand its current tax amnesty program to include all local taxes and accrued interest.

Under current law, the City of Richmond is authorized to administer a tax amnesty program for personal property tax, machinery and tools tax, and real property tax. Under the program, any civil penalties assessed or assessable which are the result of nonpayment, underpayment, nonreporting or underreporting of personal property, machinery and tools, or real property tax liabilities, may be waived upon receipt of the payment of the amount of those taxes and interest.

The effective date of this bill is not specified.

6. Budget amendment necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Not available. (See Line 8.)

8. Fiscal implications:

This bill would have no impact on state revenues. To the extent that taxpayers will pay delinquent taxes in order to avoid civil penalties or interest, this bill would result in an increase in revenues for the City of Richmond, the magnitude of which is unknown.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

City of Richmond

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments:

City of Richmond Tax Amnesty Program

The 2010 General Assembly established the City of Richmond tax amnesty program and any person required to file a personal property or machinery and tools tax return or to pay any local personal property tax, machinery and tools tax, and real property tax is eligible to participate. Under the program, any civil penalties assessed or assessable which are the result of nonpayment, underpayment, nonreporting or underreporting of personal property, machinery and tools, or real property tax liabilities, may be waived upon receipt of the payment of the amount of those taxes and interest. However, no person under investigation or prosecution for filing a fraudulent return or failing to file a return with the intent to evade tax may participate in the program.

Proposal

This bill would authorize the City of Richmond to expand its current tax amnesty program to include all local taxes and accrued interest.

The effective date of this bill is not specified.

Similar Legislation

Senate Bill 42 is identical to this bill.

cc : Secretary of Finance

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