

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB684

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

2. Patron: O'Quinn

3. Committee: Pending

4. Title: Coal mine safety.

5. Summary: This bill amends the Coal Mine Safety Act to require coal mine operators to notify DMME of directional changes to mining activities when these changes deviate more than 600 feet from the approved mine map. The original map of the mine projections is to be submitted to the Chief of the Division of Mining prior to producing coal at the mine. This bill also expands persons authorized to proctor examinations from mine inspectors, to include other instructors that are certified by the Board of Coal Mining Examiners and authorized by the Chief.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: This proposal is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state; any costs incurred by the changes to Coal Mine Safety Act contained in this proposal will be paid for by the private mining company.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to SB330, as introduced.

Date: 1/12/2011