

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1360

House of Origin	☐	Introduced	☐	Substitute	☐	Engrossed
Second House	☒	In Committee	☐	Substitute	☐	Enrolled

2. Patron: Reeves

3. Committee: House Courts of Justice

4. Title: Civil actions; Department of Military Affairs

5. Summary:

Current law allows private corporations, partnerships, etc. to file certain civil actions in district or circuit courts without the use of attorneys as long as the claim does not exceed \$25,000. The proposed legislation would expand the list of entities authorized to take such action to include the Department of Military Affairs.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No. See Item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications:

The proposed legislation would allow the Department of Military Affairs to file civil actions and appear in court on its own behalf, without utilizing attorneys. There could be some costs to the agency such as travel and per diem reimbursements of staff who will argue these cases in front of the court. However, the agency has indicated that it can absorb these costs.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Military Affairs

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 2/10/2017