

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1044

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: Newman

3. Committee: Finance

4. Title: Payment of constitutional officers; verification to Compensation Board.

5. Summary: Allows counties and cities to submit evidence of salaries, expenses, and other allowances to the Compensation Board quarterly. Also, counties and cities are to verify monthly that such salaries, expenses and other allowances have not changed since the previous month. If such information changes then counties and cities must submit satisfactory evidence of the change.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary; See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications: According to the Compensation Board, it is unknown at this time as to whether collecting information from localities four additional times per year will have a fiscal impact on the agency. However, it should be noted that this new quarterly reporting mandate is expected to impact localities.

The Compensation Board states that the reimbursement process changed about 15 years ago. The current process requires localities to submit very little in order to receive reimbursement from the Board. The Board's reimbursement system generates a reimbursement request for the locality each month. If nothing has changed, a local representative just signs the request certifying that the expenses have been incurred. If something has changed, then the locality would note the change in the system during the month in which the change occurs, and then certify the expenses. For the monthly reimbursement process, only the signed request is submitted unless the locality is requesting additional funding for a specific expense. That request is required before the Board takes action.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Localities statewide, State Compensation Board.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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