

Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

Bill information:						
SB0316 - Require public comment for air quality registrations (Curdy, Willis)						
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Status:	As Introduced					
☐Significant Local Gov Impact		⊠Needs to be included in HB 2	☐ Technical Concerns			
☐ Included in the Executive Budget		☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts	☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached			

FISCAL SUMMARY

TW 2025

TW 2024

	Difference	Difference	Difference	FY 2027 <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures: General Fund	\$146,864	\$141,687	\$143,343	\$145,023
Revenue: General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	(\$146,864)	(\$141,687)	(\$143,343)	(\$145,023)

Description of fiscal impact: SB 316 requires the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to comply with a 15-day public comment period for all air quality registrations. This would require additional staff to draft required rulemaking as well as issuance and legal review of required statements of principal reasons for and against registrations.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

- 1. Implementation of SB 232 would require an additional 0.50 FTE Environmental Scientist 2 and 0.50 FTE Lawyer 2 for development of processes, rulemaking, and implementation to comply with the 15-day public comment period and issuance of concise statements of principal reasons for and against registrations.
- 2. Salary and benefits costs for the two part-time positions would be \$113,923 in FY 2024 and \$114,264 in FY 2025.
- 3. The department assesses indirect costs upon personal services expenses at the federally approved rate of 24% to cover operating expenses.

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- 4. The public comment period (along with stakeholder involvement) should happen during the rulemaking so the agency can consider all comments while developing the rules.
- 5. If SB 316 were to pass as stated, it would not change how DEQ approves or denies registrations.

	FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 Difference	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	
Fiscal Impact:					
FTE	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Expenditures:					
Personal Services	\$113,923	\$114,264	\$115,599	\$116,954	
Operating Expenses	\$32,941	\$27,423	\$27,744	\$28,069	
TOTAL Expenditures	\$146,864	\$141,687	\$143,343	\$145,023	
Funding of Expenditures: General Fund (01) TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$146,864 \$146,864	\$141,687 \$141,687	\$143,343 \$143,343	\$145,023 \$145,023	
Revenues:					
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures): General Fund (01) (\$146,864) (\$141,687) (\$143,343) (\$145,023)					

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Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date