

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 10 - 0 - 0
Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Olson, Shields, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 4/20, 4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Increases processing fee charged to employee by employer for garnishing employees' wages.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Currently there is a \$1 processing fee for each week of wages garnished. House Bill 3474 increases that charge to \$2. The fee is withheld from the wages of the debtor and paid to the garnishee. The increased fee is intended to help small business owners (the garnishees) who have to bear the burden of processing an employee's paycheck and garnished wages.