

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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| Action: | Do Pass and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Revenue and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means |
| Vote: | 7 - 0 - 1 |
| Yeas: | Clem, Conger, Matthews, Sheehan, Smith J., Holvey, Whisnant |
| Nays: | 0 |
| Exc.: | Cameron |
| Prepared By: | Jan Nordlund, Administrator |
| Meeting Dates: | 3/17, 3/31 |

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Specifies that new or increased state agency fees adopted following adjournment sine die of a regular session of the Legislative Assembly will be rescinded on adjournment sine die of the next regular session unless authorized by legislation. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- 39 percent increase in premium assessment for workers' compensation insurance during 2009-10 interim
- Agency authority to establish or raise fees during the interim
- Amount of time a fee increase is in effect without legislative review
- Effect of annual sessions on review process

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Through a constitutional amendment in 2010, the Legislative Assembly now meets in regular session every year, not just odd-numbered years. Under current statute, fees established or raised during the interim are not rescinded until the next following odd-numbered year. House Bill 3487 adjusts the dates for when new or increased agency fees are rescinded to reflect annual session.