FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 143

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Measure Description:

Directs Department of Veterans' Affairs to develop and implement one or more programs statewide to establish campus veteran resource centers and campus veteran resource coordinators, or expand and enhance existing centers and coordinators, on campuses of community colleges and public universities to help veterans successfully transition from military service to college life, succeed in college, complete educational goals and transition from college to workforce and community.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Department of Veterans' Affairs

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means. The bill requires the Department of Veterans' Affairs (ODVA) to administer two grant programs to support existing, and establish a new, veterans resource centers on college campuses. ODVA is required to train, provide technical assistance, and keep the coordinators connected to one-another. ODVA may collaborate with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission. The bill has a blank General Fund appropriation clause for the 2017-19 biennium and also permits ODVA to solicit and receive funds from alternative sources for the purpose of implementing the bill.

This legislation corresponds with a \$1.25 million Lottery Fund Policy Option Package (POP) # 104 - *Mobilize Partnerships* within the ODVA budget (HB 5039). There is a fiscal impact associated with this bill, the Legislative Fiscal Office is determining if the POP is enough to fund the costs associated with this legislation. A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required

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