

BDR 7-448 SB 59

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 7, 2015

Agency Submitting: Local Government

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Total	0	0	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

See attached.

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The following responses from local governments were compiled by the Fiscal Analysis Division. The Fiscal Analysis Division can neither verify nor comment on the figures provided by the individual local governments.

Local Government Responses S. B. 59 / BDR 7 - 448

City/County: Carson City

Approved by: Nickolas A. Providenti, Finance Director

Comment: This could have an affect on Carson City. 3(a) places a requirement on us that could be a substantial burden on the City: "Each. . . local agency . . . shall . . . To the extent practicable, make available on its Internet website any application for a license, certificate, registration, permit or similar type of authorization to conduct a business in this State or to engage in an occupation or profession in this State and integrate those applications into the state business portal [emphasis added]. It would seem that the word "application" in the provision cited above, "... integrate those applications into the state business portal" would be reasonably interpreted as a requirement that we modify the City's core software in order to make it work automatically and seamlessly with the state business portal. Integrating the City's permitting software into the state business portal would be a major undertaking. If our software vendor would even allow this (a highly questionable assumption), the cost could be from \$100,000 to \$250,000. Our pathway to compliance might even include simply replacing our current permitting system. We might be able to avoid such a large expenditure on the grounds that it is not practicable, but there's really no clarification regarding what is, or is not, practicable. If that means we're mentally and physically capable of using a website to access their information, we (arguably) are capable of that. But if that means we have to be technically capable in terms of hardware to link our system with their system, that would have a huge fiscal impact because our current HTE business license system does not have such capabilities.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$200,000	\$10,000	\$20,000

City/County: Churchill County

Approved by: Eleanor Lockwood, County Manager

Comment: Passage of BDR 7-448 will resolve several issues with the State's Business Portal.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Clark County

Approved by: David Dobrzynski, Assistant Director of Finance

Comment: Business License estimates that integrating its system with the state will have an initial cost of \$6,500,000 and on-going costs of \$500,000. This is a genetic estimate, since system requirements are unknown; a more specific estimate is unavailable.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$6,500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000

City/County: Eureka County

Approved by: Michael Mears, Budget Director

Comment: No Impact

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Humboldt County**

Approved by: Sondra Schmidt, Comptroller

Comment: Impact cannot be put into a dollar amount at this time. Minimum costs will be associated with programming to allow for transfer of basic data between Silver Flume and County. The future of this program may involve integration of the County and State programs and will involve major upgrades to the County's programs. The will be an expense impact but should be minimal. Communication between the State and County could result in the County catching businesses that should be licensed here which could result in additional revenues. This process will also result in a streamlining of the application process which will save in time in the Clerk's Office.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Lincoln County

Approved by: Denice Brown, Admin Assistant

Comment: No Impact

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Lyon County

Approved by: Josh Foli, Comptroller

Comment: This bill would require Lyon County to purchase new business license software and pay for custom programming to interface it with the state's business portal. Software migration takes time and staffing to do properly and is not something that could be accomplished in fiscal year 2014-2015. It would need to be done in 2015-2016.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$130,000	\$0	\$0

City/County: White Pine County

Approved by: Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

Comment: There is a substantial amount of programming that would be required on behalf of the County to comply with the changes related to website security, transferring data, accepting electronic signatures and integration with the state business portal. This would result in additional costs for programming and training. The impacts in future years would be support agreements to maintain the programming. The end result is an adverse impact to the County in the form of additional expenditures. At this time the exact amounts cannot be calculated as the specifics are not known.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Elko

Approved by: Curtis Calder, City Manager

Comment: The City of Elko may incur some minor fiscal impact, primarily in the form of upgraded hardware. However, we anticipate any fiscal impact to be minimal.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Henderson

Approved by: Mike Cathcart, Business Operations Manager

Comment: The City of Henderson interprets this legislation to be enabling in nature and thus not an unfunded mandate for local government entities. Because the legislation is enabling, there would not be a fiscal impact. If the City decides to electronically connect to the Business Portal in the future, then the cost to do so would be borne by the City.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Las Vegas

Approved by: Michelle Thackston, Administrative Secretary

Comment: The Business Licensing has completed level I integration into the Portal per the agreement that is currently in place with the Secretary of State. The City has also completed work to meet level II integration and is waiting upon the SOS Office to complete the required work on the Portal to accommodate this level of access. Without a definition of "integrate" within the bill and without confirmation that the current agreement signed by the former SOS will continue in the future where the option of the level of integration is at the preference of the location government, the above fiscal impact would assume full integration into the SOS Portal system.

Cost associated-Cost of Computer Software (\$320,000) and Interface into SOS Portal (\$50,000); Loss of revenue due to inability to properly license businesses (\$284,609) and inability to collect application processing fee (\$426,200)

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$1,080,809	\$710,809	\$710,809	\$0

City/County: City of Reno

Approved by: Ryan High, Budget/Strat. Initiatives Mgr.

Comment: After initial review, there is no fiscal impact to the City of Reno.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Sparks

Approved by: Jeff Cronk, Financial Services Director

Comment: The cities of Reno, Sparks, as well as Washoe County are working together to determine the fiscal impact of this bill for these three agencies. At this time, we are unable to determine the fiscal impact; however, we would like to provide our thoughts regarding potential fiscal impacts at a later time if possible.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

The following cities/counties did not provide a response: Douglas County, Elko County, Esmeralda County, Lander County, Mineral County, Nevada Association of Counties, Nye County, Pershing County, Storey County, Boulder City, City of North Las Vegas, City of Mesquite.