

BDR 20-1117

SB 482

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: April 3, 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
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City/County: **Carson City**

Approved by: Nickolas A. Providenti, Finance Director

Comment: This would have a fiscal impact to Carson City. We calculated our cost for the next 4 years as follows:

FY 2016 - \$36,229

FY 2017 - \$38,111

FY 2018 - \$58,796

FY 2019 - \$81,417

The changed listed above compares the new proposed rates and benefits with the current rates and benefits.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$36,229	\$38,111	\$140,213

City/County: **Churchill County**

Approved by: Eleanor Lockwood, County Manager

Comment: BDR 20-1117 addresses increases in the salaries for elected officials, including mandatory increases for county commissioners. The BDR proposes increases of 3% per year for the next four years. Based upon our elected officials' current salaries, this would have a fiscal impact in the first year of \$25,129 (above current salaries). In year two, the difference from current is \$25,883. In year three, the difference from current is \$26,659. In year four (and subsequent years following), the difference from current is \$27,459. The total cumulative impact over four years is \$105,130. The ongoing impact after four years will be \$28,000 and more each year. The above figures do not calculate step increases the elected officials will receive each year. They also assume the county will increase the pay for the Justice of the Peace (to match that of the Assessor, Recorder and Clerk/Treasurer – as has been done for past increases). The Justice of the Peace is not included in this bill as his salary is set by Board action. Churchill County has no official opinion on this bill, we are just providing the estimated fiscal impacts.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$25,129	\$25,883	\$26,659	\$28,000

City/County: **Clark County**

Approved by: David Dobrzynski, Assistant Director of Finance

Comment: This Bill proposes to increase the salaries of the seven County elected officials and seven Commissioners by 3% annually on January 1 of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$42,931	\$44,219	\$92,458

City/County: Elko County Approved by: Cash A. Minor, Assistant County Manager/CFO Comment: Has Impact				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$25,200	\$26,400	\$51,600

City/County: Humboldt County Approved by: Sondra Schmidt, Comptroller Comment: This has a huge impact financially on Humboldt County at a time when revenues have been declining drastically over the last two years with CTX and Net Proceeds. Revenues are expected to stay low with the price of gold where it is and the mines not buying any new equipment.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$24,966	\$54,872	\$184,177

City/County: Mineral County Approved by: Christine Hoferer, MC Recorder-Auditor Comment: Has Impact				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$16,938	\$17,450	\$0

City/County: **Washoe County**

Approved by: Liane Lee , Government Affairs Manager

Comment: NRS 245.043(2) sets annual salaries for elected officials, but only provides guidelines through FY 2010-11. Since that time, salaries for the affected officials (District Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Assessor, County Recorder, County Treasurer, and Public Administrator) have remained at their FY 2010-11 levels. The changes proposed by BDR 20-1117 establish salaries for FY 2015-16 that would increase pay for these officials by 3% over their present levels, and by an additional 3% each fiscal year through FY 2018-19. For Washoe County this equates to an annual increase of from \$29,950 - \$32,675 for the years in question.

Existing law allows the Board of County Commissioners, by majority vote, to set commissioners' salaries within certain statutory limitations. BDR 20-1117 removes this authority and instead fixes salaries for fiscal years 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, and 2018-19. The salary for each year is based on the salary in effect for commissioners in each county on January 1, 2015, and provides for an increase of 3% each year. The combined effect on Washoe County is a mandated increase of between \$11,260 & \$12,300 for each of the fiscal years affected.

The bill also authorizes an elected officer, including a county commissioner, to elect not to receive any part of the salary to which he or she is entitled. The effect of any such reduction is entirely speculative and cannot be quantified at this time.

Thus, the combined annual impact of the changes proposed by BDR 20-1117 to Washoe County is estimated to be in the range of \$41,210 - \$44,975.

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

City/County: **White Pine County**

Approved by: Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

Comment: The proposed salary increases will also result in increases in related benefits. The outcome will be adverse financial impact to the County in the form of increased expense from the base year of FY2014-15 in the amounts outlined above.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$25,677	\$51,126	\$186,818

The following counties did not provide a response: Douglas County, Esmeralda County, Eureka County, Lander County, Lincoln County, Lyon County, Nye County, Pershing County, and Storey County.