## LOCAL GOVERNMENT **FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 1, 2017

Agency Submitting: Local Government

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Fiscal Year 2017-18	Fiscal Year 2018-19	Effect on Future Biennia
Total	0	0	0	0

**Explanation** 

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

See attached.

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Title **Deputy Fiscal Analyst** 

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 A.B. 183 / BDR 40 - 694

City/County: Carson City

Approved by: Nancy Paulson, CFO

Comment: No fiscal impact to Carson City.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Clark County

Approved by: David Dobrzynski, Asst Director of Finance

Comment: A lien is an encumbrance on one person's property to secure a debt the owner owes to another person. A hospital has statutory liens for any amount due to the hospital for care rendered to a patient. The liens apply to any award of damages and real property.

This bill provides that the hospital would be barred from asserting, perfecting, foreclosing or otherwise enforcing its statutory items during the period of time they are awaiting determination concerning payment of the patient's bill. This bill will also limit the amount the hospital may collect or attempt to collect from the patient or other responsible party.

According to UMC if a lien is not in place at the time of settlement of a case then they would not have any instrument to collect for services from the third party settlement. In regards to property liens if UMC cannot file until after the insurance is paid, the homeowner could file for homestead, refinance, or sell their property while the health insurance company is pending a decision. In 2016 UMC collected \$2,004,822.03 from property and hospital liens. If the patient is unable to pay, and there is not a lien UMC would end up transferring the account to Bad Debt.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000

City/County: Churchill County

Approved by: Eleanor Lockwood, County Manager

Comment: BDR 40-694 does not appear to have any significant fiscal impact to Churchill

County.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Esmeralda County

Approved by: Kelly Jo Eagan, Administrative Asst Comment: Esmeralda County has no medical facilities.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Humboldt County** 

Approved by: Gina Rackley, Comptroller

Comment: This bill has no impact on Humboldt County as our hospital is not owned and

operated by the County.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Pershing County

Approved by: Karen Wesner, Admin. Assist.

Comment: Any fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time.

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: Washoe County

Approved by: Jamie Rodriguez, Management Analyst

Comment: No Impact

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: White Pine County

Approved by: Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

Comment: No Impact

Impact	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

The following cities/counties did not provide a response: Douglas County, Elko County, Eureka County, Lander County, Lyon County, Lincoln County, Mineral County, Nye County, and Storey County.