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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6662**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 259**

**DATE PREPARED:** Feb 1, 2002  
**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 29, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Hazardous Air Pollutant Emissions.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill prohibits the Air Pollution Control Board from adopting rules before November 1, 2003, to establish general requirements for reporting of hazardous air pollutant emissions. The bill permits the board to adopt rules to (1) require sources to report hazardous air pollutant emissions if the reporting is necessary to demonstrate compliance with certain federal standards; or (2) allow the Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to request certain site specific data. The bill directs the Department and the State Department of Health (SDOH) to conduct evaluations considering specified hazardous air pollutant data and to report before November 1, 2003, to the Environmental Quality Service Council concerning emissions and related data and human health impacts.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) There will be a fiscal impact to IDEM in regard to conducting the evaluations necessary to generate the information required to be reported to the Environmental Quality Service Council before November 1, 2003. It is estimated that several staff in various positions (equivalent of one full-time equivalency) at IDEM would be needed to work with ISDH to prepare the information for the report. In preparing the following information for the report, "...An assessment of the quality and usefulness of existing data on hazardous air pollutant ...human health impacts" and "Potential solutions to any human health issues created by hazardous air pollutants," it is assumed that IDEM would report on available information and solutions that are identifiable, based on readily available information. For IDEM, the work necessary to compile the required report would be absorbed by existing resources if the use of existing and readily available information on monitoring, human health effects etc., are used to compile the report. Original research into current health effects due to exposure to air contaminants would require substantial staff and contract funding that go beyond current resources.

The SDOH would require an additional epidemiologist. Annual costs for this staff person are estimated at approximately \$55,000 per year. The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety

of sources, including the following: (1) Existing staff and resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing staff and resources currently being used in another program; (3) Authorized, but vacant, staff positions, including those positions that would need to be reclassified; (4) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (5) New appropriations. As of December 31, 2001, the SDOH had 120 vacancies. The Department reverted \$410,484 in General Funds at the end of FY 2001. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

Costs associated with rule-making activities can be absorbed with existing resources.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Environmental Management and the State Department of Health.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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