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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6699**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1280

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 19, 2009

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 19, 2009

**SUBJECT:** State Budget and Spending Information on Internet.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Welch

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

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

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill provides that the State Auditor shall begin work to post state expenditures on the Internet not later than July 1, 2009. It requires state agencies to provide information to the Auditor of State and to develop links on agency Internet web sites to the auditor's expenditure Internet web site. It provides that the Auditor shall report the progress of posting state expenditures on the Internet to the state board of finance by November 1, 2010.

**Effective Date:** (Amended) Upon Passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) This bill will increase administrative costs for the Auditor of State and the Office of Information Technology. The increase is indeterminable and will depend on the amount of resources that will be required to implement the data base required by the bill. The bill requires these two agencies to work together to develop and maintain an Internet web site detailing state expenditures by each agency. Also, the bill requires the Auditor of State to provide a report to the State Board of Finance that details the state expenditures contained in the database and the progress that the Auditor of State's office has made regarding to the provisions in this bill.

All other state agencies should not be significantly affected because the bill does not require a state agency to record information or expend resources for the purpose of computer programming to make information reportable. The bill does require state agencies to cooperate with the Auditor and provide the information necessary for the Auditor to compile the expenditure data base. It is estimated that all state agencies currently have the information needed for the data base. The bill's definition of state agency includes the legislative, administrative, and judicial branches of government, and state educational institutions. The bill does require each state agency to include a link to this data base on the state agency's web site. This provision is not

expected to have a significant fiscal impact.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** All.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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