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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7480

BILL NUMBER: HB 1611

DATE PREPARED: Mar 12, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Health facility monitor payments.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill permits the State Department of Health (SDOH) to use money from fines imposed upon health facilities to pay the costs of monitors in health facilities that are financially unable to pay the monitor's costs.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill allows SDOH to use revenue from fines placed on health facilities to pay for cost of placing a monitor in a health facility. The SDOH can use the fine revenues only if the health facility is not financially able to pay the cost of the monitor. The SDOH estimates that this will occur approximately twice a year. The exact cost of the monitor is dependant on how long the monitor is needed at the health facility. The SDOH currently imposes approximately \$50,000 in fines on a yearly basis. If these fines are to be used by the SDOH to pay for the cost of monitors there will be an increase in expenditures from the state General Fund.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Norma Selby, State Department of Health, 233-7573.