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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6713

BILL NUMBER: HB 1252

DATE PREPARED: Dec 11, 2000

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Preservation of Mailbox Areas.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill prohibits a person who owns or operates an underground utility line from placing a new line or extending an existing line into an area designated by the United States Postal Service for the placement of curbside mailboxes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Indirect Costs:* If this bill increases the capital costs of utility companies, consumers (including the state) could experience an increase in their utility bill. The extent to which utilities might pass on any such cost is currently unknown.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: A number of utilities are owned and operated by municipal entities. This bill may increase these entities' capital and/or operating costs. Any increase would be determined by the costs associated with avoiding an area designated by the United States Postal Service for the placement of curbside mailboxes when placing or extending a utility line.

Indirect Costs: If this bill increases the capital costs of utility companies, local units of government could experience an increase in their utility bills. The extent to which utilities might pass on any such cost is currently unknown.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: All.

Local Agencies Affected: All.

Information Sources: