

# FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council  
02/14/2005

Amendment to: HB 1494

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	
<b>Expenditures</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	
<b>Appropriations</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

The Board of University and School Lands responsibilities under Engrossed HB1494, section 4, differs from HB1494, section 2, by providing that the Board may charge a reasonable fee as trustee. In addition, the twenty-year abandonment period has been removed and this may require accounting for the trust to be maintained indefinitely. There is still insufficient available information to determine the number of potential trusts and whether any likely mineral holdings placed in a trust could be developed and productive. Consequently, meaningful revenues still cannot be estimated, and since the number of trusts or potential value cannot be ascertained estimating reasonable fees is also not possible.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

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