

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2017-18		FY 2018-19	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	See below	See below	See below	See below
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below	See below	See below	See below

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

LB 477 would establish new provisions for signage relating to engine fuels that would be enforceable under the Weights and Measures Act. The Department of Agriculture is required to administer and enforce the provisions of the Weights and Measures Act.

It is estimated that the Department of Agriculture could carry out inspections of signage requirements when carrying out routine weighing and measuring device inspections. The agency notes that the additional requirements could increase the amount of time spent on inspections, and there may be expenses in the event that there are complaints or instances of noncompliance that result in additional inspections or compliance hearings. The agency estimates that the Weights and Measures Cash Fund would be used to fund any additional costs.

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LB⁽¹⁾ 477

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Department of Agriculture

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2017-18</u>		<u>FY 2018-19</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$ 50,000</u>		<u>\$ 50,000</u>	

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 477 adds two additional provisions to section 89-197 relating to advertising signage for engine fuel being available at all fueling positions and offering the same grade of engine fuel at different prices when such fuel is from a single storage tank.

There will be additional costs to the Department to enforce these provisions because approximately 1,226 stations will be impacted by this bill. The Department anticipates receiving an increase in public complaints as well as an increase on an estimated 5% violations from routine inspections by Weights and Measures staff of the fueling stations. This will result in additional administrative and inspection time and travel costs to address this increased workload. This is also projected to increase our administrative costs for conducting compliance hearings to garner compliance.

It is estimated this bill could increase our enforcement costs by approximately \$50,000 per year in administrative and inspections costs.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2017-18 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2018-19 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>17-18</u>	<u>18-19</u>		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....			\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Travel.....			\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			<u>\$ 50,000</u>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>