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SB17-290

**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Scott; Donovan

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Bill Status: Postponed Indefinitely
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BILL TOPIC: ENGINEER EXCAVATOR STAMP PLAN UNDERGROUND FACILITY

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2016-2017 <i>(current year)</i>	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue			
State Expenditures General Fund Cash Funds Federal Funds	Increase and potential decrease. See State Expenditures section.		
Appropriation Required: None.			
Future Year Impacts: Ongoing potential expenditure impact.			

NOTE: This bill was not enacted into law; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Summary of Legislation

The bill modifies current laws related to engineering plans that include excavation to require that the plans contain more specific information about the location of underground facilities, are officially stamped by an engineer, and are given to the excavator.

State Expenditures

Departments that are involved in excavation projects — the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Public Health and Environment, and the Department of Transportation, in particular — will have increased costs to locate and include underground facility locations in engineering plans. The precise cost to each department depends on a variety of factors and cannot be determined. Upfront costs may be offset by future cost savings resulting from better utility location information, which may reduce project delays caused by unexpected conflicts with underground facilities.

Local Government Impact

Similar to the state, local governments involved in excavation work will have increased upfront costs to locate and include underground facility locations in engineering plans. These costs may be offset by a reduction in future project delays.

Effective Date

The bill was postponed indefinitely by the Senate Transportation Committee on May 2, 2017.

State and Local Government Contacts

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