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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Soper Sen. Sonnenberg	Bill Status:	House SCMVA
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Bill Topic: TWO-THIRDS VOTING REQUIREMENT FOR BILLS WITH FEES

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires bills that create or increase fees be passed by a two-thirds vote in each chamber. It may increase General Fund expenditures when a covered bill fails to pass with a two-thirds vote.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires that certain bills must be passed by a two-thirds vote of all members on final passage in each chamber of the General Assembly. The two-thirds vote requirement applies if the bill:

- imposes a new fee;
- authorizes the imposition of a new fee;
- increases an existing fee; or
- authorizes the increase of an existing fee.

State Revenue and Expenditures

This bill has no immediate fiscal impact. To the extent that the bill prevents the passage of bills that impose or authorize new fees, it may reduce the number of new programs created and the associated fee revenue and spending. In addition, failure to pass a bill to increase a fee that is set in statute to cover program costs may result in a decrease in services provided or an increase in General Fund expenditures in order to maintain service levels. These impacts cannot be estimated.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

All State Agencies