

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0511.0	02 (001): Provid	e grant funding	for firefightin	g training facilit	ies		
Primary Sponsor: Scott DeMarois			Status: A	As Amended in House Committee			
☐ Included in the Executive Budget ☐ Needs to be included in I			3 2 □	☐ Significant Local Gov Impact			
☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts ☐ Technical Concerns				☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached			
FISCAL SUMMARY							
	FY 2025 Difference	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference		
Expenditures					0.55.514		
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$55,714		
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$556,283	\$1,553,483	\$1,540,234	\$1,350,000		
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Capital Development (05)	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Description of fiscal impact

General Fund Balance

State Special Revenue (02)

HB 511 as amended, provides a \$5 million appropriation to the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) to create a firefighting training facility grant program. The bill states that funds would be used to fund up to \$4,850,000 million in grants to local government firefighting authorities for capital construction, maintenance and repair projects, and equipment purchases; and 3% or \$150,000 in administrative costs.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Revenues

Other

Net Impact

General Fund (01)

Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

- HB 511 requires DMA to create and administer a firefighting training facility infrastructure grant program.
 The Disaster and Emergency Services (DES) division would administer this grant program. The department estimates approximately 30 grants would be awarded.
- A 0.50 FTE grant manager is required to manage the program. DES estimates personal services costs for 0.50 modified FTE are \$51,864 in FY 2026 and FY 2027, and with an inflationary rate of 1.5% in FY 2028 and FY 2029.
- 3. One-time-only operating costs of \$2,800 for the position for equipment and a computer in FY 2026.
- 4. Travel costs for four quarterly monitoring visits per year at local government firefighting authorities include lodging, mileage, and per diem of \$1,619 in FY 2026 and FY 2027, with an inflationary rate of 1.5% in FY 2028 and FY 2029.

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- 5. To maximize the efficient use of the administrative costs, DES will work to spend all grant funds by the end of FY 2029.
- 6. The 3% allocation is not sufficient to cover the costs to administer the program, DES is unable to absorb the additional workload within the existing grant programs.
- 7. The 3% for administrative costs covers \$56,283 in FY 2026, \$53,483 in FY 2027, and \$40,234 in FY 2028 for a total of \$150,000. Additional general fund would be needed of \$14,628 in FY 2028, and \$55,714 in FY 2029; for a total of \$70,342.
- 8. If the grant funding is not fully utilized by the end of FY 2029, additional costs will be \$56,932 in FY 2030 and \$58,164 in FY 2031.
- 9. DES would need time to establish the program, provide guidance and outreach, and conduct application review. As a result, DES estimates awarding grants of \$500,000 in FY 2026, \$1.5 million in FY 2027, \$1.5 million in FY 2028, \$1.35 million in FY 2029.

Fiscal Analysis Table

Fiscal Impact FTE 0.00 0.50 0.50 0.50 TOTAL Fiscal Impact 0.00 0.50 0.50 0.50	
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	0.50
Expenditures	
	54,046
Operating Expenses \$0 \$4,419 \$1,619 \$1,643	\$1,668
Transfers \$5,000,000 \$0 \$0	\$0
Grants \$0 \$500,000 \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 \$1,3	50,000
TOTAL Expenditures \$5,000,000 \$556,283 \$1,553,483 \$1,554,862 \$1,4	05,714
Funding of Expenditures	
	55,714
State Special Revenue (02) \$0 \$556,283 \$1,553,483 \$1,540,234 \$1,3	50,000
Other \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0
Capital Development (05) \$5,000,000 \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0
	05,714
Expenditures	
Revenues	
State Special Revenue (02) \$5,000,000 \$0 \$0	\$0
TOTAL Revenues \$5,000,000 \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)	
	5,714)
State Special Revenue (02) \$5,000,000 (\$556,283) (\$1,553,483) (\$1,540,234) (\$1,35	(000,000)
Other \$0 \$0 \$0	\$0
Capital Development (05)(\$5,000,000) \$0 \$0	\$0

Fiscal Note Request - As Amended in House Committee **Technical Concerns**

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Long Range Building

1. Should the amendment be or has been adopted, the amount of funds from the capital development longrange account will cause it to go negative by approximately \$2.3 million based upon the Legislative Fiscal Division's report of January 2025, absent any transfers into the fund.

Budget Director's Initials