

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 455

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation, and Sponsor: Representative David Standridge

Forestry

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House Bill 455 as passed the House of Representatives would create the Rural and Community Fire Protection Development and Improvement Grant Program, funded by the Rural and Community Fire Protection Development and Improvement Fund created by this bill in the State Treasury, to fund grants to certain volunteer fire departments to address certain goals provided in this bill. This bill would also increase the obligations of the State Forestry Commission by an undetermined amount to administer the grant program and a statewide grant training program, established by this bill, which would be offset, in whole or in part, by the retention of 5% of the annual appropriations to the fund, as provided by this bill.