

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 23

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry Sponsor: Senator Jack Williams

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Senate Bill 23 as introduced would prohibit the manufacture, sale, and distribution of cultivated meat in the state, which could increase receipts to the State General Fund and municipal general funds from fines; increase receipts to the State General Fund, county general funds, municipal general funds, and other funds to which court costs are deposited; and could increase the obligations of the State General Fund, district attorneys, and local jails by an undetermined amount dependent upon the number of persons charged with and convicted of the offenses provided by this bill and the penalties imposed.

In addition, this bill could further increase receipts to the State General Fund from civil penalties (ranging from \$100 for a Class II violation up to \$10,000, for a Class V violation), imposed on food sales establishments that violate the provisions of this bill.

This bill could also increase the administrative obligations of the Department of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture and Industries for the adoption of rules determined necessary to implement the provisions of this bill.