

# REVISED FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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**Bill No.:** SB 1  
**Version:** Committee Substitute  
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**Impact:** FY-08: \$40,000

**Estimated Future State Agency Costs:**  
\$245,000-\$260,000

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## Summary

The CS for SB 1 provides that no later than January 1, 2008, the Office of State Finance shall develop and operate a single, searchable website accessible by the public at no cost to access. The website shall contain budget information to include the expenditure by state entities of appropriated and non-appropriated funds, including but not limited to: grants, contracts, subcontracts, tax credits, expenditures from the Constitutional Reserve Fund, and expenditures pursuant to any compact between the Governor and a federally recognized Indian tribe or nation.

## Analysis

The Office of State Finance (OSF) reports that it is possible to meet the January 1 deadline at a "Phase I" level which fulfills the basic requirements of the bill, but would not have the complete search capabilities in the first year: files would be static and more limited but still not searchable in spreadsheet style. Also, the website would include several additional features not contemplated in SB 1 to include: the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), State Budget, State Debt Level Comparisons, Tax Collections by Source along with many other features. Phase I costs are estimated at \$40,000 for website development and programming. Future costs to fully implement the website as originally conceived are calculated at \$245,000-\$260,000. OSF advises that it might possibly absorb these costs as other projects are paid for.

## Long Term Considerations

The proposed statewide website is envisioned as a "Google-like" system that will provide the interested public with access to a user-friendly vehicle to examine the manner in which state revenues are expended.