

**LOCAL
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Dore

Bill Status: House Local Government

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE ON-LINE PUBLICATION BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF INFORMATION THAT IS CURRENTLY REQUIRED TO BE PUBLISHED IN A NEWSPAPER.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: August 7, 2013, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 8, 2013, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None		
Local Government Impact: See the Local Government section		

Summary of Legislation

Beginning January 1, 2014, this bill allows a board of county commissioners to publish certain legal notices, advertisements, and fiscal information on a county-maintained website instead of in a newspaper. Specifically, and with the exception of salary warrants, a county could publish claim and expenditure reports; county transactions; and semiannual financial statements online.

Local Government Impact

Counties that elect the online form of publication will see cost savings from reduced publication expenditures. Publication costs for monthly warrants and semiannual financial statements received from five counties outside the front ranged from \$3,550 to \$13,000 in 2012. Cost savings will vary per county depending on county size.

Departments Contacted

Counties

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