COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 2331-02 <u>Type</u>: Original

Bill No.: SB 522 **Date**: March 30, 2015

Subject: Cooperatives; Courts; Easements and Conveyances; Eminent Domain and

Condemnation; Energy; Liability; Utilities

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies the measurement of damages in civil actions for

trespass or expanded use of an easement against a rural electric

cooperative.

State Fiscal Highlights

• No direct fiscal impact on the state is anticipated.

Local Fiscal Highlights

• No direct fiscal impact on local political subdivisions is anticipated.

Fiscal Analysis

Oversight was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation filed this year, HB 1115, officials at the **Office of the State**Courts Administrator and the **Department of Economic Developments' Public Service**Commission, the **Office of Public Council** and the **Division of Energy** each assumed no fiscal impact to their respective agencies from this proposal.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS (continued)

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal. Also, this legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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