

Fiscal Services Division Legislative Services Agency Fiscal Note

HF 2055 - Asian-Pacific Islander Commission (LSB 5647 HH)
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Fiscal Note Version - New
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Description

House File 2055 provides for the establishment of a new Division and a Commission on the Status of Iowans of Asian and Pacific Islander heritage within the Department of Human Rights. The Commission consists of nine members that are appointed by the Governor and subject to Senate confirmation. Duties of the Commission and term of office are also specified.

Assumptions

1. The estimates are based on the salary and support costs for a new Division and costs associated with establishing and maintaining the Commission similar to divisions currently within the Department of Human Rights.
2. The Commission will meet a minimum of four times each year and will be reimbursed for actual expenses such as mileage, meals, and lodging. Compensation for Commission Members is not assumed and has not been factored into the costs.
3. The Department of Human Rights does not have appropriated funds to meet the requirements of this Bill.
4. The new Division will be structured similar to other smaller divisions within the Department consisting of an Administrator and one staff member to assist the new Commission. The estimates are based on the salary and support costs for a new Division and costs associated with establishing and maintaining the Commission similar to divisions currently within the Department of Human Rights.
5. The Division Administrator will be compensated comparable to those in smaller divisions within the Department of Human Rights.

Fiscal Impact

House File 2055 would have an estimated FY 2005 General Fund cost of \$135,000 and 2.0 FTE positions. The estimated FY 2006 and subsequent years cost would be \$125,000.

<u>Categories of Expense</u>	<u>FY 2005</u>	<u>FY 2006</u>
Salaries (2.0 FTE Positions)	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000
Support/Commission Costs	15,000	15,000
One-Time Costs - Computers/Furniture	10,000	0
Totals	<u>\$ 135,000</u>	<u>\$ 125,000</u>

Source

Department of Human Rights

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The fiscal note and correctional impact statement for this bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and pursuant to Section 2.56, Code of Iowa. Data used in developing this fiscal note and correctional impact statement are available from the Fiscal Services Division, Legislative Services Agency to members of the Legislature upon request.
