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Measure Description:

Establishes product stewardship program for household hazardous waste.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Counties, Cities, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Energy and Environment to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The measure establishes the Household Hazardous Waste Stewardship Program within the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). A manufacturer or retailer may not sell any covered product unless the product is labeled with a brand and the brand is included in a plan for the Program. Stewardship organizations must submit plans for the development and implementation of a household hazardous waste stewardship program to DEQ. These stewardship organizations must fund costs incurred with funds apportioned from the manufacturers participating in the stewardship organization. The Environmental Quality Commission is directed to adopt an annual registration fee, to be paid by stewardship organizations. Annual registration fees must be deposited in the Household Hazardous Waste Stewardship Fund, which is continuously appropriated to DEQ for costs associated with the implementation, administration, and enforcement of the Program

To implement this new Program DEQ anticipates the need for one full-time limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position to develop rulemaking and program activities, and a permanent half-time Operations and Policy Analyst 2 to assist in the development of the program and continue DEQ's ongoing oversight. Preliminary input from Cities and Counites indicate no or minimal costs associated with this measure.

Other Fund revenue estimates, including seed-funding for the initial launch of the Program, are still being determined. A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required