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Bill Title: Relating to reducing the vulnerability of structures to wildfire; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Consumer and Business Services, Department of the State Fire Marshal, Counties

Summary of Fiscal Impact

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

The measure directs the Department of the State Fire Marshal (DSFM), in collaboration with the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS), to establish and implement the Wildfire Prepared Structure Program, providing grants to retrofit existing dwellings and rebuild dwellings damaged by wildfires to improve wildfire resistance and resilience. The measure requires DSFM to develop a list of eligible retrofits and materials, considering cost-effectiveness, and administer both individual grants and block grants to counties for local distribution. The Department must also establish reporting requirements for grant recipients and participating counties.

The measure provides an unspecified General Fund appropriation to DSFM for the 2025-27 biennium to implement the program, with funds available until expended. DSFM is authorized to adopt rules to administer the program in consultation with state agencies, local governments, nongovernmental organizations, and the Wildfire Programs Advisory Council.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.