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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: S. 0342 Signed by Governor on May 9, 2017
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Subject: Immunity from Liability for Surveyors
Requestor: Senate
RFA Analyst(s): Heineman and Stein
Impact Date: July 21, 2017

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds. The bill extends the same immunity from liability that is currently granted to licensed engineers to licensed surveyors when volunteering services during a declared national or state emergency.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill grants licensed surveyors the same immunity from liability that is provided to licensed engineers when voluntary services are rendered, upon request of the Governor, at the scene of a declared national or state emergency. Licensed surveyors would not be liable for personal injury, wrongful death, property damage, or other losses that occur as a result of their actions or omissions while providing voluntary surveying services unless gross negligence or recklessness is proven. Additionally, this bill updates code references from the Rural Electric Administration to the Rural Utilities Service to reflect this federal name change effective with the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994.

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. This bill addresses the personal vulnerability of licensed surveyors to civil lawsuits in specified conditions, which would not operationally or fiscally impact the oversight or regulatory activities of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. Therefore, this bill would not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Federal Funds, or Other Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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