

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	15-3371/1	Introduction Number	SB-313	Estimate Type	Original
Description Method used by a county clerk to notify town clerks of certain county zoning actions					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, when a county enacts or amends certain zoning ordinances a county clerk is required to send town clerks, by registered mail, copies of the ordinances/amendments. Also, under current law, if a petition to amend a zoning ordinance is made to a county board and the county is required to notice a public hearing on the proposed amendment, the county clerk is required to send to affected town clerks, by registered mail, a copy of the notice.

The proposed SB-313, in general, would require a county clerk to send copies of ordinances/amendments, or notices (collectively, materials), to town clerks by certified mail. Also, the bill would allow a county clerk to send such materials to a town clerk by electronic mail (e-mail), if the county clerk includes with the e-mail a request that the town clerk promptly confirm receipt of the e-mail by return e-mail.

This bill would result in savings for the difference in costs between the use of certified mail or e-mail versus registered mail. Data is not readily available to estimate the amount of those savings, therefore, the local fiscal impact is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications