STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28671 / S1145

This is the FY 2022 original appropriation bill for the Soil and Water Conservation Commission. It appropriates a total of \$3,369,800 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 17.75.

For benefit costs, the bill maintains the current appropriated amount for health insurance at \$11,650 per eligible FTP, extends the holiday for the employer's sick leave contribution rate for another year, and restores funding for the employer's unemployment insurance contribution rate. The bill also provides funding for the equivalent of a 2% change in employee compensation for permanent state employees and a 2% upward shift in the compensation schedule. The bill funds two line items, which provide \$40,000 from the General Fund to convert a technical records specialist to a Conservation Enhancement Reserve Program (CREP) program manager; and an increase of \$200,000 from the General Fund to increase the distributions made to the 50 local soil and water conservation districts.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2021 Original Appropriation	17.75	2,695,800	388,500	0	3,084,300
Executive Holdback	0.00	(134,800)	0	0	(134,800)
FY 2021 Estimated Expenditures	17.75	2,561,000	388,500	0	2,949,500
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	(5,300)	(1,300)	0	(6,600)
Restore Rescissions	0.00	134,800	0	0	134,800
FY 2022 Base	17.75	2,690,500	387,200	0	3,077,700
Benefit Costs	0.00	5,000	700	0	5,700
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	9,000	11,700	0	20,700
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	22,700	3,000	0	25,700
FY 2022 Program Maintenance	17.75	2,727,200	402,600	0	3,129,800
1. CREP Program Manager	0.00	40,000	0	0	40,000
2. Additional District Distributions	0.00	200,000	0	0	200,000
FY 2022 Total	17.75	2,967,200	402,600	0	3,369,800
Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp	0.00	271,400	14,100	0	285,500
% Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp.	0.0%	10.1%	3.6%		9.3%

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