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Revised Fiscal Note

(replaces fiscal note dated February 10, 2022)

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Sonnenberg Bill Status: House Energy & Environment
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Bill Topic: EQUIP WIND TURBINE AIRCRAFT DETECTION LIGHTING SYSTEM

- Summary of Fiscal Impact:
- State Revenue
- State Expenditure
- State Transfer
- TABOR Refund
- Local Government
- Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires the installation of aircraft detection lighting systems on wind-powered generation facilities. It may increase local government revenue and expenditures beginning in FY 2022-23.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The revised fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the owner or operator of any new wind-powered energy generation facility subject to land-use permitting requirements to install lighting mitigating technology. The bill authorizes a board of county commissioners to impose by ordinance a civil penalty for violations. Any contiguous counties and any municipalities in those counties may enter into an intergovernmental agreement for a shared ordinance.

Local Government

Beginning in FY 2022-23, expenditures may increase in local governments that elect to adopt ordinances, enter into intergovernmental agreements, or to inspect wind-powered generation facilities, as allowed by the bill. To the extent that violations occur, revenue will increase to local governments from civil penalties.

## **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

Counties

Local Affairs

Municipalities

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