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ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

| | FY13 | FY14 | FY15 | 3 Year Total Cost | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
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| Total | | NFI | NFI | NFI | | |

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 57 requests that the Legislative Council Service set the thermostat in the State Capitol buildings during the winter months to no higher than 68 degrees Fahrenheit.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The memorial notes that setting the thermostats to more than 68 degrees routinely results in some legislatures, staff and visitors not being comfortable because they become overheated. Additionally, the cost of fossil fuels for heating the legislative buildings negatively effects the general fund, and setting the thermostat to no higher than 68 degrees will save money in heating costs.

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