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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/8/17

SPONSOR Rodella/Larrañaga LAST UPDATED 3/17/17 HB 352/aHAFC/aSFC

SHORT TITLE State Engineer Advanced Mapping SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Armstrong

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY17	FY18		
	None		Advanced Mapping Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of SFC Amendment

The Senate Finance Committee amendment makes the fund subject to legislative appropriation, addressing the concern raised in “Fiscal Implications.”

#### Synopsis of HAFC Amendment

The House Appropriations and Finance Committee amendment removed the \$1 million appropriation and provides a definition for “advanced mapping”

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 352 (HB352) creates the advanced mapping fund and appropriates \$1 million from the general fund to the newly created fund for expenditure in FY18 and subsequent fiscal years. The appropriation is nonreverting.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1 million contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY18 shall not revert to the general fund.

This bill creates a new fund. The LFC has concerns with including continuing appropriation language in the statutory provisions for newly created funds, as earmarking reduces the ability of the legislature to establish spending priorities.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The bill states that “money in the fund is appropriated to the state engineer” but does not provide that the fund is subject to legislative appropriation. Further, the fund is eligible to be used for “advanced mapping” but this term is undefined.

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