

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: May 3, 2007
POSITION: Neutral

BILL NUMBER: SB 441
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BILL SUMMARY: State Property: Vending Machines

This bill would require that 25 percent of the food, and one-third of the beverages, offered in vending machines on state property meet specific accepted nutritional guidelines by January 1, 2009. This requirement would increase to 35 percent by January 1, 2010.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The Department of Rehabilitation (Rehabilitation) indicates there are no costs associated with this bill.

To the extent that sales of food and beverages from vending machines decline because of a reduction in the availability of the higher selling products, private vendors could face lower revenues. However, this reduction in revenue would have no fiscal impact on the state.

COMMENTS

This bill would have no fiscal impact and concerns a policy matter on which we are neutral.

Rehabilitation administers the Business Enterprise Program (BEP) that is intended to provide jobs for people who are legally blind. Under the BEP, blind individuals are given priority in operating food services facilities within federal and state buildings. The BEP program trains individuals to become food service vendors and supports them with financial assistance for equipment, counseling, and fiscal oversight.

This bill would require a vendor that operates or maintains a vending machine on state property to offer food that meets accepted nutritional guidelines. These guidelines address the amount of sugar in drinks and the amount of calories that come from fat and saturated fat in a food product. Vendors would be required to ensure that at least 25 percent of the food products and one-third of the beverages in the vending machines meet the nutritional guidelines by January 1, 2009. The required amount would increase to 35 percent by January 1, 2010.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)						Fund Code	
		(Dollars in Thousands)							
	LA	CO	PROP	FC	2007-2008	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010
	RV	98							
5160/Rehabilitatn	SO	No			----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----				0600

Fund Code	Title
0600	Vending Stand Fund

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