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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 1075

(Senator Miller, *et al.*)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Health and Government Operations

Gubernatorial Appointment of Cabinet Secretaries

This bill requires a second-term Governor who carries over any principal department Secretary to reappoint that Secretary with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Requiring the reappointment and reconfirmation of a department Secretary should not materially impact State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The head of each principal department of the Executive Branch is a Secretary, each of whom must be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Governor is required to select, on the bases of professional and administrative knowledge and experience, a Secretary who has the qualifications required by law.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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