

Fiscal Analysis: According to DFP, the administration of a new grant program would require an additional full-time grants administrator position at a base salary of \$75,000 plus fringe and equipment costs at an estimated \$118,025 annually. As per the provisions in paragraph B. of the bill, a portion of the proposed fund would be eligible for use to implement and administer the grant program, therefore the position would be funded with revenues generated for the fund. The required position would be responsible for reviewing medical records and verifying bills and other records required to meet the grant requirements. Currently, DFP has two grants administrators managing five annual grants and one one-time grant. According to DFP, it is not feasible for the

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two existing grants administrators to manage the additional workload of a new grant program. Alternatively, DFP proposes that a third-party contractor could be engaged to oversee the proposed grant program. However, it is unclear the cost of such contractor.

The bill does not identify a source of revenue nor requires the appropriation of any source funds to the proposed Emergency Response Exposure Grant Fund, therefore unless the proposed fund is capitalized, there is no anticipated fiscal impact. Funding for the required positions or third-party contractor are not needed until a revenue source is identified or funds are appropriated to the proposed grant program.

Other: This bill is identical to SB972.