

SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

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 Related Bills: See Prior Analysis Telephone: 845-3495 Amended Date: April 18, 2013
 Attorney: Patrick Kusiak Sponsor: _____

SUBJECT: BOE, EDD, & FTB Collaborate & Focus Information Technology Efforts on Developing Web-Based Portal (Feasibility Study)

SUMMARY

This bill would require the Board of Equalization (BOE), the Employment Development Department (EDD), and the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) to conduct a feasibility study on the following:

- Development of a web-based portal that virtually consolidates the agencies, and
- Consolidation of forms, applications, and other documents where feasible.

RECOMMENDATION

No position.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

The April 18 2013, amendments changed the bill from implementation of virtual consolidation to a feasibility study of virtual consolidation. As a result of the amendments the "Implementation Consideration" has been resolved and the "This Bill" and "Fiscal Impact" sections have been revised. The remainder of the department's analysis of the bill as introduced February 22, 2013, still applies. The "Economic Impact" section is presented for convenience.

ANALYSISTHIS BILL

This bill would require the BOE, the EDD, and the FTB to collaborate and focus current and future information technology efforts to conduct a feasibility study on the development of a single web-based portal that virtually consolidates the agencies.

Board Position:

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The web-based portal would be required to enable online, self-service access through a single logon that would allow taxpayers to:

- Electronically submit returns and forms, or other information,
- Pay amounts due,
- Determine account balances and due dates of taxes, and
- Identify the status of any appeal, claim for refund, or penalty and interest waiver request.

In addition, this bill specifies that upon a joint determination by the agencies that a need exists to improve cost effective services to taxpayers and an appropriation by the legislature, these agencies shall also consolidate forms, applications, and other documents to reduce, or eliminate the need for a taxpayer to submit the same information to multiple agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill would not significantly impact the department's costs.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

This bill would not impact the state's income tax revenue.

SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

Support: None on file.

Opposition: None on file

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