

The fiscal impact of HB 254 on local government would likely be minimal. Emergency response officials said that the additional revenue collected under the provisions of HB 254 would be nominal. One state-wide official estimated that they respond to 50 such calls each year.

The Kentucky Firefighters Association is in favor of the proposal, but they did express the following concerns: How would funds be divided if the fire department, police department, and EMS respond to the same incident? Whereas a single agency could easily incur more than \$2,000 in expenses, would all three agencies collect a portion of the \$2,000 if the actual cost are over \$2,000? In these instances, the firefighters association suggested a standard formula for payment. Also, would there be any penalties associated with non-payment?

The Kentucky Sheriff's Association and Kentucky Fraternal Order of Police were also contacted for input. As of the date of this Statement, a response has not been received. If a response is received from either organization, this Statement will be updated accordingly.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

Part II refers to the bill as introduced.

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