Local Government Mandate Statement
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Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 1212

Bill #: HB 449 - GA

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Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to exemptions for disaster response businesses and employees.

Sponsor: Rep. M. Dossett

Unit of Government: **X** City **X** County **X** Urban-County **X** Charter County **X** Consolidated Local **X** Unified Local Government

Office(s) Impacted: _____

Requirement: **X** Mandatory ____ Optional

Effect on
Powers & Duties: ____ Modifies Existing ____ Adds New ____ Eliminates Existing

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

HB 449 GA, if enacted, allows an occupational license tax exemption or license fee exemption for a disaster response business or a disaster response employee that has no other business in this state.

If an out-of-state business or individual responds to a disaster within the Commonwealth, a negative fiscal impact may occur to receipts of the local jurisdictions where the disaster occurs, if that jurisdiction imposes a local occupational license tax or business license on the business or individual.

The negative impact is indeterminable. The negative impact would be incurred only if a disaster is declared by the Governor or the President of the United States and only if there were businesses or individual not currently doing business in this state that respond during the disaster. There is no current data source to determine the negative fiscal impact, to

determine when a disaster is likely to occur, or if individuals or businesses from outside Kentucky may respond.

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

HB 449/GA passed with HCS 1. There is no change to the above information.

HB 449 – HCS 1 makes clarifications related to the period of time for the disaster response period. The period begins 10 days prior to the first day of the Governor's declaration or the President's declaration, whichever occurs first, and then extends 30 days after the declared state disaster or emergency. This provision limits the impact to local governments, which is still indeterminable.

Data Source(s): LRC staff

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