## Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2020 Regular Session

## **Part I: Measure Information**

Bill Request #: 1328							
Bill #: SB 104							
<b>Document ID #:</b> <u>3022</u>							
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to the POW/MIA flag							
Sponsor: Senator Albert L. Robinson							
Unit of Government:   X   City   X   County     M   M   M   M							
X Charter County X Consolidated Local X Government							
Office(s) Impacted:							
Requirement: X Mandatory Optional							
Effect on Powers & Duties: Modifies Existing X Adds New Eliminates Existing							

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

SB 104 requires the displaying of the POW/MIA flag on all state and local government buildings, memorials, or locations at which the United States flag is displayed. It also provides instructions for how the flag shall be displayed.

The fiscal impact of SB 104 on local governments is expected to be minimal to moderate dependent on the number of buildings and locations from which the flag will be flown. A separate pole is not required, but is an option. The flag may be flown under the United States flag on the same pole. The cost of flying the flag over local government buildings or locations will be borne by the local government.

To provide an estimate of the cost, a random survey was taken of online internet sites. For purposes of this survey we searched for double-sided nylon flags of appropriate size visible from a flag pole and strong enough to withstand the elements and harsh weather.

For flag poles, the random survey consisted of poles ranging from 20 to 35 feet and that were seller-recommended for the various size flags. Flying the POW/MIA flag on the existing pole under the US flag is an option for local governments. But if the local government opts for side by side display, the following estimates are provided for heavy duty aluminum poles recommended for the flag sizes listed.

These are the averages for different size flags and the recommended pole if needed:

3 ft. X 5 ft. Flag @ \$42	Pole @ \$1,280
4 ft. X 6 ft. Flag @ \$58	Pole @ \$1,630
5 ft. X 8 ft. Flag @ \$99	Pole @ \$1,755
8 ft. X 12 ft. Flag @\$209	Pole @ \$2,175

These figures are presented solely as possible price points. There is a lot of variance in the market and these averages do not take into account any possible discounts or price reductions.

Additionally, flags necessitate replacement either at scheduled intervals or as needed, thus there will be a perpetual cost to flying the flag.

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

Part II refers to SB 104 as introduced.

Data Sourc	e(s): <u>LRC</u> , Various	s internet retail site	<u>es.</u>		
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