



FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 76

Committee: Finance and Taxation General Fund Sponsor: Senator Will Barfoot

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Senate Bill 76 as reported by the Committee on Finance and Taxation General Fund would increase the administrative obligations of the Alabama Forestry Commission to implement and administer the provisions of this bill to provide grants from the newly established Logging Efficiency Grant Fund, as follows: (1) 85% for grants to county commissions for the maintenance, repair, replacement, and construction of rural county bridges; (2) 10% for grants to support logging workforce development, advance research and implementation of technologies that improve forest product harvesting and transportation efficiencies; and (3) 5% to be retained by the Alabama Forestry Commission to facilitate the grant programs, established by this bill.

This bill further provides that the Logging Efficiency Grant Fund shall consist of revenue sources as directed by and at the discretion of the Legislature, appropriations as directed by, and at the discretion of, the Legislature, and funds from any other lawful source.