

FISCAL NOTE

S.B. 243

SHORT TITLE: Air Quality Programs

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2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE GOVERNMENT (UCA 36-12-13(2)(b))

This bill requires a program utility to collect a charge of up to \$1 per month from its utility customers who do not opt out. The Division of Air Quality (DAQ) will receive 20 percent of collections. If no customers opted out, DAQ would receive up to \$5.3 million annually beginning in FY 2015. DAQ would use the money for air quality public education, grant programs, and air quality research.

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (UCA 36-12-13(2)(c))

Interlocal entities will receive 70 percent of collections from utility customers who do not opt out. If no customers opted out, interlocal entities would receive up to \$18.5 million annually beginning in FY 2015. Interlocal entities would use this money for air quality public education, grant programs, air quality research, and administrative costs.

DIRECT EXPENDITURES BY UTAH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES (UCA 36-12-13(2)(d))

Enactment of this bill charges utility customers up to \$1 per month on their utility bills. The net effect, if no customers opt out, is up to \$26.4 million annually.

Ten percent of collections will be disbursed to entities with public and private interests to improve air quality. These entities would use the money for air quality public education, grant programs, and air quality research. Assuming no customers opt out, entities could receive a net sum of up to \$2.6 million annually beginning in FY 2015.

PERFORMANCE NOTE (JR 4-2-404): Not Required