

# **SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COUNCIL**

## **FISCAL NOTE, 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

FISCAL NOTE 2017-SB160A

SB 160 establish provisions for the selection and instruction of delegates to an Article V convention for proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution.

A fiscal note has been requested for SB 160, which would establish parameters for South Dakota's participation in any Article V convention for proposing amendments to the United State Constitution, should one be called. SB 160 provides for the appointment of five delegates and five alternates to such a convention, as well as a three-person Article V convention committee tasked with monitoring and oversight of the delegation. The cost of representing South Dakota and staffing the five-member delegation is indeterminable at present, depending as it does on unknown factors such as the length and location of a hypothetical convention, the convention's work schedule, the degree to which the convention might utilize electronic meetings, and the number of staff who would be required to support the delegation's work.

In addition, since SB 160 does nothing to cause an Article V convention to occur, it has no fiscal impact, inherent to itself.

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