

STORAGE NAME: h1303.LTC

DATE: March 27, 1997

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON
Elder Affairs & Long Term Care
BILL RESEARCH & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT**

BILL #: HB 1303

RELATING TO: Reauthorization of the Older American's Act

SPONSOR(S): Representative Tobin & others

STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

COMPANION BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

- (1) Elder Affairs & Long Term Care
- (2) Rules, Resolutions, & Ethics
- (3)
- (4)
- (5)

I. SUMMARY:

This memorial urges Congress to reauthorize the Older American's Act beginning January 1, 1998 or sooner. No state revenues or expenditures are required by this memorial.

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

The 104th Congress adjourned without taking final action on reauthorization of the Older Americans Act. The reauthorization will need to be taken up by the 105th Congress which convened in January, 1997. All pending bills at the close of 1996 expired and new bills will have to be introduced.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

The recommended action would continue the funding of the Older American's Act for another five years.

C. APPLICATION OF PRINCIPLES:

1. Less Government:

a. Does the bill create, increase or reduce, either directly or indirectly:

(1) any authority to make rules or adjudicate disputes?

No.

(2) any new responsibilities, obligations or work for other governmental or private organizations or individuals?

No.

(3) any entitlement to a government service or benefit?

No.

b. If an agency or program is eliminated or reduced:

(1) what responsibilities, costs and powers are passed on to another program, agency, level of government, or private entity?

N/A.

(2) what is the cost of such responsibility at the new level/agency?

N/A.

(3) how is the new agency accountable to the people governed?

N/A.

2. Lower Taxes:

a. Does the bill increase anyone's taxes?

No tax increase is called for in the Memorial.

b. Does the bill require or authorize an increase in any fees?

No.

c. Does the bill reduce total taxes, both rates and revenues?

No.

d. Does the bill reduce total fees, both rates and revenues?

No.

e. Does the bill authorize any fee or tax increase by any local government?

No.

3. Personal Responsibility:

a. Does the bill reduce or eliminate an entitlement to government services or subsidy?

No.

b. Do the beneficiaries of the legislation directly pay any portion of the cost of implementation and operation?

The Memorial has no costs associated with it.

4. Individual Freedom:

a. Does the bill increase the allowable options of individuals or private organizations/associations to conduct their own affairs?

N/A.

b. Does the bill prohibit, or create new government interference with, any presently lawful activity?

N/A.

5. Family Empowerment:

- a. If the bill purports to provide services to families or children:

N/A.

- (1) Who evaluates the family's needs?

N/A.

- (2) Who makes the decisions?

N/A.

- (3) Are private alternatives permitted?

N/A.

- (4) Are families required to participate in a program?

N/A.

- (5) Are families penalized for not participating in a program?

N/A.

- b. Does the bill directly affect the legal rights and obligations between family members?

N/A.

- c. If the bill creates or changes a program providing services to families or children, in which of the following does the bill vest control of the program, either through direct participation or appointment authority:

- (1) parents and guardians?

N/A.

- (2) service providers?

N/A.

(3) government employees/agencies?

N/A.

D. SECTION-BY-SECTION:

This section need be completed only in the discretion of the Committee.

N/A.

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE AGENCIES/STATE FUNDS:

1. Non-recurring Effects:

This memorial has no non-recurring fiscal impact.

2. Recurring Effects:

This memorial has no recurring fiscal impact.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

This memorial has no long run fiscal effects other than normal growth.

4. Total Revenues and Expenditures:

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS A WHOLE:

1. Non-recurring Effects:

None.

2. Recurring Effects:

None.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

1. Direct Private Sector Costs:

This Memorial creates no private sector costs.

2. Direct Private Sector Benefits:

This Memorial creates no private sector benefits.

3. Effects on Competition, Private Enterprise and Employment Markets:

This Memorial has no impact on private enterprise and employment markets.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

IV. CONSEQUENCES OF ARTICLE VII, SECTION 18 OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION:

A. APPLICABILITY OF THE MANDATES PROVISION:

This bill does not require counties or municipalities to spend funds or to take an action requiring the expenditure of funds.

B. REDUCTION OF REVENUE RAISING AUTHORITY:

This bill does not reduce the authority that municipalities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate.

C. REDUCTION OF STATE TAX SHARED WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES:

This bill does not reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

V. COMMENTS:

VI. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

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VII. SIGNATURES:

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