

Drafting Number: LLS 12-0775 **Date:** April 18, 2012 **Prime Sponsor(s):** Sen. Tochtrop **Bill Status:** Senate Agriculture

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF COUNTY POWERS TO MAINTAIN THE

LANDSCAPE.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
State Revenue		
State Expenditures		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: August 8, 2012, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 9, 2012, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.		
Local Government Impact: See Local Government Impact section.		

Summary of Legislation

This bill removes the \$5,000 annual cap that a county can request from a property owner in reimbursement for control of a pest infestation or infection on private property. The bill also authorizes county pest inspectors to exercise the same powers granted counties to control noxious weeds, rodents and predatory animals.

Local Government Impact

The fiscal impact of the bill depends on the choices made by counties and cannot be determined. Counties that choose to have a pest control program design their programs. As a result, pest control programs vary across the state meaning that the impact of Senate Bill 12-169 will vary by county. Possible impacts include a county increasing the amount of land treated or a county recovering more of their costs for the pest control treatment they are already performing. For counties without pest control programs, the bill may encourage them to adopt programs or may have no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

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