

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: H.B. 900

SHORT TITLE: Gates County Fire Protection

SPONSOR(S): Representative Hunter

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes (X)	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 1999-00</u>	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>
REVENUES					
Gates County	\$160,000*	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Gates County Government					
EFFECTIVE DATE: When it becomes law.					
* If enacted by County Commissioners at the rate expected by county manager (see Assumptions, below)					

BILL SUMMARY: The legislation authorizes the Gates County Commission to establish a fire protection fee. The fees, in total, can not exceed the cost of providing fire protection services for the county. This fee can be billed with property taxes and, in the case of nonpayment, can be collected in the same manner as delinquent personal or real property taxes. It also authorizes the commission to adopt an ordinance to place a lien on the property for delinquent fire fees.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: The Gates County Manager anticipates that the county will levy an annual fire fee of approximately \$40.00 per household. They expect the fee to generate about \$160,000 per year for fire protection services.

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