**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6121**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1171  

**NOTE PREPARED:** Mar 27, 2017  

**BILL AMENDED:** Mar 20, 2017  

**SUBJECT:** Disciplinary Process for Firefighters.  

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Mahan  

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Boots  

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed Senate  

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** GENERAL  

**DEDICATED**  

**FEDERAL**  

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact  

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**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) The bill establishes minimum rights for a full-time, paid, nonprobationary member of a fire department to be represented in a meeting at which the chief of the fire department (chief) notifies the firefighter: (1) of the firefighter's termination or demotion with cause; or (2) that the chief is recommending the firefighter's termination or demotion with cause to the safety board. The bill provides that the firefighter's meeting with the chief concerning the firefighter's termination or demotion with cause may not proceed until the firefighter is provided at least 72 hours to obtain the requested representation.

The bill excludes from these provisions: (1) a member of the fire department who holds an upper-level policy-making position; (2) a member of the fire department who holds a position in the fire department: (A) that is not an upper-level policy-making position; and (B) to which the member was appointed by the chief; and (3) a fire department with a merit system established under IC 36-8-3.5.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2017.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**
State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: