

Department Name: Agricultural Commissioner/Weights & Measures

Option 2: General Fund Reduction of \$40,869 FTE: 0.0

Program Title: Weights and Measures Device Inspection

Program Description: Inspection of commercial weighing and measuring devices and Automated Point of Sale Systems

Reduction:

Total Budget	Reduction	Revised Budget	% Reduced	Total Program FTEs	Reduction in FTEs	% Reduced
\$1,070,828	\$40,869	\$1,029,959	4%	8.2	0.0	0.0%

Program Impact:

The weights and measures device inspection program would be reduced by .54 FTE with this General Fund reduction. The Department proposes to use \$40,869 of operational reserve from the Automated Point of Sale System inspection program to fund .54 FTE. Current revenue, including business registrations and receipts from penalties derived from enforcement actions in this program, could be expected to fund this adjustment for at least one year. Re-analysis of the revenue stream would be necessary from year to year to determine if this level of service could be maintained under the current fee structure.

The impact on the Device Inspection Program and reduction of inspection frequency will drop this program below mandated levels. As a result of previous staffing reductions, inspections have dropped to approximately 80% levels. This reduction is expected to drop those frequencies to approximately 65%. Re-evaluation of fee schedules authorized by state law is scheduled for next year to coincide with the sunset on the authorizing legislation. There is potential that industry will want to reduce or eliminate these fees due to reduced service levels.