

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Description Theft of communication and video services, civil damages resulting from the theft of certain services, and providing penalties		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law prohibits a person from obtaining telecommunications or video services without payment. A person found guilty of this Class C forfeiture can be subject to a forfeiture of up to \$500 for a first offense. This bill increases the penalty to a Class C misdemeanor with a fine of not more than \$500, imprisonment up to 30 days, or both.

The Department can not predict the number of persons who will be convicted of this offense. If an offender is placed on probation, the Department's costs will increase by approximately \$2,600 annually, per person [FY09 costs].

County Costs will increase if an offender receives a jail term.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications