

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	11-2696/2	Introduction Number	AB-0439	Estimate Type	Original
Description Intoxicated operation of all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, motorboats, and motor vehicles, snowmobile safety instruction for persons under 16 years of age, and providing penalties					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill makes the provisions of the intoxicated operation of an ATV, boat, and snowmobile laws more consistent via the following provisions: raising the age of absolute sobriety; adopting the higher penalties where penalties of the various laws are in conflict; and, increasing penalties if a violator operates the motorboat or snowmobile with a passenger under age 16. Prior convictions of any of these laws will count toward the cumulative total of all convictions. If the court imposes a penalty for violation of these laws, violators will have their privilege to operate a snowmobile, ATV, and motorboat revoked. Similarly, if a person has been convicted of violating these laws twice within five years, their privilege to operate a motor vehicle will be revoked.

Should this bill be enacted, prosecutors anticipate an increased number of referrals for charges. An exact number of additional prosecutors needed to handle the increased workload is difficult to determine, but District Attorneys believe they will need additional staff to handle the increased workload.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

It is difficult to identify a specific number of additional prosecutors needed as a result of enactment of this bill, but prosecutors believe more Assistant DAs will be needed to handle the increase in workload.