

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Description Strip searches					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person may be strip searched, subject to certain restrictions, when he or she is arrested for any felony, for certain misdemeanors, or for any misdemeanor civil violation if there is probable cause to believe that the person is concealing a weapon or concealing something that would constitute evidence of the offense for which he or she has been detained.

Under this bill, a person may be strip searched, subject to the requirements imposed under current law, if he or she will be incarcerated, imprisoned, or otherwise detained in a jail or prison with one or more other persons.

This bill will not impact the Department's costs or workload.

The Department can not predict if any additional strip searches in county jails would result from this legislation, or how many. Additional strip searches would result in increased workload for local county jails. One jail administrator indicates the increased time to conduct a strip search versus a custodial search to be approximately 2 minutes, and does not anticipate a significant increase to costs if additional strip searches are deemed necessary.

Additional strip searches may also lead to a more secure correctional environment if additional concealed items on offenders may be found under the authority provided in this bill, indirectly decreasing costs. However, it is not possible to estimate a local fiscal impact.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications