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LRB Number 19-1997/1	Intro	duction Number	AB-0034	
Description prostitution crime surcharge and m	aking an appropriation			
Fiscal Effect				
State: No State Fiscal Effect Indeterminate Increase Existing Appropriations Decrease Existing Appropriations Create New Appropriation	Increase Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues			
Local: No Local Government Costs Indeterminate 1. Increase Costs Permissive Mandato 2. Decrease Costs Permissive Mandato	3. Increase Revenue			
Fund Sources Affected GPR FED PRO	PRS SEG S	Affected Ch. 20 A EGS 20.455 (2)(hd)	Appropriations	
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill creates a \$5,000 surcharge to be imposed on persons who are convicted of patronizing prostitutes, soliciting prostitutes, pandering, or keeping a place of prostitution.

Half of the surcharge revenues will be deposited in an existing Department of Justice appropriation that supports criminal investigations, law enforcement activities and prosecutions targeting internet crimes against children. These funds support state and local law enforcement agencies participating in the statewide Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Taskforce as well as internet-based investigations of child sex trafficking.

The department is unable to accurately project the increase in revenue because an accurate estimate of the number of convictions subject to the surcharge is not available. The state's Uniform Crime Reporting data does not break out arrests by specific statute and the proportion of arrests to convictions is unknown. In addition, the percentage of the surcharge that would be collected based on the amount imposed would be an estimate. However, based on current expenditures from the Internet Crimes Against Children appropriation under §20.455 (2)(hd), approximately half of the additional revenue received by the Department of Justice will be passed through to support local law enforcement affiliates.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications