

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.
LRB 0709/1
AB 157

Amendment No. if Applicable

- ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

FISCAL ESTIMATE
DOA-2048 N(R10/98)

Subject

Possession of body armor by persons convicted of or adjudicated delinquent for certain offenses and providing a penalty

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget Yes No

- Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local: No local government costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
 Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others _____
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill makes it a felony for felony offenders to possess body armor. Because this bill creates a new crime, it's likely that the State Public Defender's Office will handle additional cases, thus increasing the agency's costs. Because it is presently unknown how many people would be charged with these new crimes and, of those who are charged, how many would qualify for SPD assistance, the agency cannot estimate the costs at this time.

Additionally, it should be added that this bill has a provision that allows felony offenders to request an exemption from the prohibition against possessing body armor. If the SPD is already representing an offender, the SPD would likely represent that offender on the exemption matter. However, based in the new bills language, if the SPD is not already representing such an offender, the agency would likely not open a new case (absent a specific Juvenile Court referral) for the sole purpose of seeking this exemption.

long-range Fiscal Implications

Indeterminate at this time. Agency will monitor fiscal effect of this bill, if enacted, for future budget considerations.

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