

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 01-3191/3	Introduction Number SB-438	Estimate Type Original
Subject Expanding domestic abuse restraining orders and injunctions		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would increase the number of criminal charges (and thus costs to the State Public Defender) in 2 ways: 1) broaden the current definition of domestic abuse, thus increasing mandatory arrest and ensuing issuance of criminal charges; 2) expand grounds for and duration of restraining orders, which would lead to more prosecutions for violations of restraining orders.

The counties could experience increased costs for incarceration, either pretrial or after sentencing.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications