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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This bill increases the maximum confinement time for a second or subsequent conviction of first-degree sexual assault to life imprisonment without parole or extended supervision.

During CY04, 18 offenders were admitted to prison for first-degree sexual assault. Of those 18, none had been previously convicted for first-degree sexual assault. As of December 31, 2004, 50 of the 485 first-degree sexual assault offenders incarcerated on that date were incarcerated for a second or subsequent conviction of first-degree sexual assault. Of the 50 offenders with at least a second conviction, 20 had incarceration terms of less than the current maximum of 40 years.

While it is assumed that the increased sentence maximum may increase sentences for at least some offenders, the Department cannot predict the frequency with which courts will choose to use the maximum lifetime confinement sentence. As a result the fiscal impact cannot be determined. A fiscal impact will not be incurred until offenders who would have been sentenced to 40 years confinement time under current law begin to serve up to life in prison under this legislation.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**