

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	09-2089/1	Introduction Number	AB-0223	Estimate Type	Original
Description The right to a trial by jury for a juvenile for whom the petitioner has reserved the right to recommend placement in the Serious Juvenile Offender Program or in a juvenile correctional facility beyond the age of majority					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would allow a juvenile, his or her parents, or legal custodian the right to a trial by jury if the person filing the delinquency petition reserves the right to recommend placement of the juvenile in the Serious Juvenile Offender Program or in a secured correctional facility beyond the age of 17.

This bill may have a fiscal impact on county detention facilities or the Department of Corrections (if the youth was under Department supervision as a Serious Juvenile Offender), because a jury trial may extend the length of time that a youth spends in the adjudication process and Serious Juvenile Offenders may be held pending disposition of a case.

Since it is not possible to determine how many cases would be granted a jury trial, or how the involvement of/decisions by juries may change the number of juveniles committed to DOC, it is not possible to accurately estimate the actual costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications