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Requiring a person arrested for a felony or a juvenile taken into custody for certain sexual assault offenses to provide a biological specimen for deoxyribonucleic acid analysis, inclusion of the analysis results in the Department of Justice deoxyribonucleic acid data bank, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing a penalty

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law the Department of Corrections (DOC) collects DNA samples for inmates admitted to prison who are statutorily required to submit a specimen and have not already done so. Offenders placed on supervision to the Division of Community Corrections (DCC) are directed to provide a sample to the office of the county sheriff.

DOC anticipates that this legislation will result in a decrease in the number of offenders who would need to provide a biological specimen to the Department since the offender will now be required to submit a specimen at the time of arrest. DCC agents will continue to instruct statutorily required offenders to provide a specimen at the sheriff's office. Should this legislation pass, DOC staff will continue to track and verify that DNA samples are entered in the DOJ databank.

There would be a minor reduction in costs associated with fewer samples taken and delivered to the DOJ Crime Lab by state correctional institutions. A net fiscal estimate cannot be determined since the Department will still need to verify that all statutorily required offenders provided DNA specimens.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications