

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	09-1235/1	Introduction Number	AB-0221	Estimate Type	Original
Description Creating a microstamping requirement for certain handguns, certification of compliance with the microstamping requirement, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing penalties					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under this bill a person will be guilty of a Class B Misdemeanor (imprisonment up to 90 days in a county jail) if he or she alters a semiautomatic handgun that is supposed to produce a microstamp with the intention of preventing law enforcement from accessing the microstamp. A person who knowingly transfers a modified semiautomatic handgun could be imprisoned up to 9 months in a county jail.

The Department will see an increase in costs if an offender is placed on probation. The Department cannot project the number of offenders who would violate the statutory requirements of this new bill; therefore, a fiscal impact cannot be estimated. The annual cost for community supervision per offender was \$2,400 in FY08.

Counties will see increased costs if an offender is sentenced to a term of incarceration in a county jail under the provisions of this bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications