

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DA 6/2/2009

LRB Number	09-2859/1	Introduction Number	AB-0283	Estimate Type	Original
Description Operating a vehicle while intoxicated, granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation, and providing a penalty					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

A major impact of this law is that fourth offense OWI would become a felony. This will lead to an increase in the number of motion hearings, trials, and appeals.

In 2007 there were 1,902 fourth offense OWI cases.
1,902 cases x 6.32 hours (dif. between felony and misdemeanor) = 12,020 hours
12,020 hours divided by 1,227 = 9.80 ADAs needed.

The impact of this law change could require 9.8 ADAs
Annual salary = \$47,036
Annual fringe = \$18,433
TOTAL = \$65,469 x 9.8 ADAs = \$641,596.

The figures above are based on those used in the DA workload analysis. Prosecutors believe that this bill would require more prosecutors than the figures above indicate, due to increased motion hearings and case filings associated with the bill.

Counties would face increases in jail costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

For a long-range fiscal impact, please see above.