

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	09-3399/1	Introduction Number	SB-380	Estimate Type	Original
Description The possession of a firearm by a person who has committed a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence and providing a penalty					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill expands the prohibition of illegally possessing a firearm to include misdemeanor crimes of domestic violence. Conviction for this offense is a Class G felony (maximum 5 years confinement and 5 years extended supervision).

During calendar year (CY) 2006 there were 182 offenders convicted of crimes that would have been statutorily eligible under this proposed legislation. However, out of the 182 convicted offenders the Department cannot determine which convictions were related to domestic violence since the offenses are inclusive of a variety of provisions.

The Department of Corrections is unable to estimate the number of offenders who may be subject to the criminal penalty provisions of this bill. The FY09 annual cost for an inmate in a DOC institution is approximately \$31,800. However, when there is excess capacity in DOC facilities, the incremental costs (i.e. food, health care and clothing) of housing a small number of inmates is approximately \$4,900, based on FY09 costs. When there is no excess capacity in DOC facilities, as is currently the case, the Department uses contract beds at rate of \$18,800 annually per person. The annual cost for community supervision is \$2,600.

A local impact will also occur if an adult offender is sentenced to a jail term under the provisions of this bill. The local fiscal impact cannot be estimated.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications