



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	15-4648/2	Introduction Number	AB-0995	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Description</b> Reclassifying or changing penalties for certain crimes and providing a criminal penalty					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill reclassifies certain misdemeanors to forfeitures. Misdemeanors affected include engaging publicly in conduct that does not cause a disturbance, stealing merchandise valued at less than \$500, and second offense possession of marijuana.

Generally, forfeitures require less prosecutorial time than do misdemeanors. Because it is uncertain how many cases would be considered forfeitures rather than misdemeanors, it is unknown if there would be savings in the District Attorney program. There will be no fiscal impact on the District Attorney program.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

As stated above, there will not be a long-term fiscal impact on the District Attorney program, should this bill be enacted.