Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

☑ Original ☐ Updated	Corrected	Supplemental			
LRB Number 15-4231/1	Introduction Number	SB-521			
Description Forfeiture of property seized in relation to a crime					
Fiscal Effect		·			
State: No State Fiscal Effect Indeterminate Increase Existing Appropriations Appropriations Appropriations Create New Appropriations Local:	s Increase Costs - e Existing within agency's I	May be possible to absorb budget			
□ No Local Government Costs ☑ Indeterminate 1. □ Increase Costs □ Permissive □ Mandatory □ Permissive 2. □ Decrease Costs 4. □ Decrease I	Mandatory Towns	☐Village ☐Cities☐Others☐			
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS					
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a law enforcement agency may acquire property involved in the commission of a crime, and keep certain property for its own use, transfer it to another agency, or sell it. The agency may retain a certain percentage of the proceeds from sale to cover administrative costs; and, the remainder goes to the State school fund.

Under this bill, property may be subject to forfeiture only if a person is convicted of the crime related to the action for forfeiture and if a court finds the property seized is proportional to the crime committed. Otherwise, the property is to be returned to innocent owners of the property.

Prosecutors do not anticipate a fiscal impact on their offices should this bill be enacted.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

No long-term fiscal impact is expected should this bill be enacted.