

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	21-4368/1	Introduction Number	AB-0540	Estimate Type	Original
Description possession of dogs by certain felony offenders and providing a penalty					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This fiscal estimate is submitted by the Director of the State Prosecutors Office on behalf of Agency 475 – District Attorneys. This fiscal estimate is responsive only to the fiscal and resource effect of the proposed legislation on the District Attorney program.

This bill prohibits certain felony offenders from possessing, controlling, or residing with a vicious dog, as determined by a humane officer or a law enforcement officer using criteria specified in the bill. The prohibition applies to persons whose status as felony offenders is due to committing an act that is classified under the bill as a serious felony, which includes homicide, felony battery, sexual assault, and felonies involving controlled substances. A person who violates the prohibition may be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned for up to nine months, or both. If a person violates the prohibition and a person or an animal suffers great bodily harm or death as a result, the person may be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned for up to three years and six months, or both. If a person violates the prohibition and a person suffers great bodily harm or death as a result and the offender knowingly allowed the dog to run loose or failed to take steps to control the dog, the person may be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned for up to six years, or both.

District Attorney offices do not anticipate a significant fiscal effect on their offices resulting from this proposed bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

District Attorney offices do not anticipate significant long-range fiscal impact on their offices resulting from this proposed bill.