Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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Fiscal Effect					
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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 defines kratom products as products intended for human or animal consumption, including food, drink, chewing gum, and food supplements, made from any part of a leaf of the Mitragyna speciosa plant, and legalizes the manufacture, distribution, delivery, and possession of kratom.

Under current law, kratom is classified as a Schedule I controlled substance and if a person manufactures, distributes, or delivers kratom, he or she is guilty of a Class H felony, and if a person possesses kratom he or she is guilty of a misdemeanor. The bill removes kratom from the schedule of controlled substances and legalizes the manufacture, distribution, delivery, and possession of kratom, subject to certain limitations.

Responsive prosecutors noted that kratom can have effects similar to stimulants and opioids. The legalization of a kratom may lead to additional incidences of operating while impaired, property crimes and crimes of interpersonal violence. Responsive prosecutors anticipate an increase in kratom related law enforcement referrals if kratom is legalized.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-range fiscal/resource implications of legalizing the manufacture, distribution, delivery, and possession of kratom requires additional study.