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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person is prohibited from possessing a firearm, and must surrender all firearms, if the person is subject to a domestic abuse injunction, a child abuse injunction, or, in certain cases, a harassment or an individuals-at-risk injunction. A person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm under such an injunction is guilty of a Class G felony for violating the prohibition.

This bill creates an extreme risk protection temporary restraining order (TRO) and injunction to prohibit a person from possessing a firearm. A person who possesses a firearm while subject to an extreme risk protection TRO or injunction is guilty of a Class G felony. In addition, a person who files a petition for an extreme risk protection injunction, knowing the information in the petition to be false, is guilty of the crime of false swearing, a Class H felony.

The Department of Corrections (DOC) is unable to estimate the state fiscal effect of this bill, as it is unable to estimate how many individuals will be subject to the bill's new criminal penalty provisions. The precise cost of this legislation will ultimately depend on the number of offenders and the sentencing practices of judges.

While it is not possible to estimate the number of individuals that will be convicted of these crimes, any increase in the prison population, either through new admissions or longer sentences, would have a financial impact on the DOC. The average FY20 annual cost for a person in our care in a DOC institution is approximately \$36,200. 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 \$7,000 based on FY20 costs. Should the Department use contract beds, the rate would be approximately \$18,800 annually per person.

If there is a large increase in the number of offenders (clients) convicted of this crime and placed on probation or extended supervision, additional community corrections funding and/or positions may be necessary to handle the population. The average FY20 annual cost to supervise one offender is approximately \$3,300.

The local fiscal impact of the bill cannot be estimated because DOC is unable to predict the number of people that will be convicted of these crimes and the sentencing practices of judges. County jails could experience increased costs, as offenders may be sentenced to jail as a condition of probation. The average FY20 annual cost to jail inmates is \$18,800.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications