# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4141-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1219

Subject: Children and Minors; Crimes and Punishment; Elderly

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 1, 2006

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
General Revenue	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
<b>Local Government</b>	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Boone County Sheriff's Department** and the **Springfield Police Department** assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agencies.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume passage of this proposal would require offenders who commit such crimes of violence against elderly or children to serve a minimum of 30 days imprisonment before probation or parole were an option. If the number of such felony offenders were sufficiently high, the courts could indeed commit these offenders to DOC custody using the 120-day shock provision of the law in lieu of 30 days in a county jail.

Currently, the DOC cannot predict the number of new commitments which may result from the creation of the offense(s) outlined in this proposal. An increase in commitments depends on the utilization by prosecutors and the actual sentences imposed by the court.

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#### <u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

If additional persons are sentenced to the custody of the DOC due to the provisions of this legislation, the DOC will incur a corresponding increase in operational cost either through incarceration (FY05 average of \$39.13 per inmate, per day or an annual cost of \$14,282 per inmate) or through supervision provided by the Board of Probation and Parole (FY03 average of \$3.15 per offender, per day or an annual cost of \$1,150 per offender).

In summary, supervision by the DOC through probation or incarceration would result in additional unknown costs to the department. Eight (8) persons would have to be incarcerated per fiscal year to exceed \$100,000 annually. Due to the narrow scope of this new crime, it is assumed the impact would be less than \$100,000 per year for the DOC.

Officials from the **Office of Prosecution Services (OPS)** assume the costs to prosecutors would increase as there would be less of an incentive for plea bargaining and more trials. Costs to a given office are unknown, but it is assumed that costs could be substantial statewide as this includes both crimes against children and elderly.

**Oversight** assumes county prosecutors could absorb the costs of the proposed legislation within existing resources. In response to an identical proposal from the 2005 session (HB 110 (LR # 0539-01), officials from the OPS assumed the proposal would not have a significant direct fiscal impact on county prosecutors.

Officials from the **Office of the State Public Defender (SPD)** assume existing staff could not provide competent, effective representation for any cases arising where indigent persons want their day in court due to increased mandatory sentencing for a conviction of a crime of violence against a child or the elderly. While the number of new cases (or cases with increased penalties) may be too few or uncertain to request additional appropriations for this specific bill, the SPD will continue to request sufficient appropriations to provide competent and effective representation in all its cases.

**Oversight** assumes the Office of the State Public Defender (SPD) could absorb the costs of the proposed legislation within existing resources. Oversight assumes any significant increase in the workload of the SPD would be reflected in future budget requests.

**Oversight** assumes local and county jails could experience increased costs due to the required minimum imprisonment term.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL AND COUNTY JAILS	(Unknown)	<u>(Unknown)</u>	(Unknown)
<u>Costs</u> – Increased incarceration	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
LOCAL AND COUNTY JAILS	(10 1010.)		
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
<u>Costs</u> – Department of Corrections Incarceration/probation costs	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(10 Mo.)		
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009

## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

## **DESCRIPTION**

The proposed legislation requires offenders who have pled guilty to or who are found guilty of a crime of violence against a child or an elderly person to be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of at least 30 days. The individual will not be eligible for probation or parole until he or she has been incarcerated for at least 30 days.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

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