

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Subject					
Plea and verdict of guilty but mentally ill in certain criminal cases					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a plea and verdict of "guilty but mentally ill" for persons charged with a homicide offense. Enactment of this bill may increase costs at the Department of Justice but is solely dependent on the amount of appeals DOJ may have to defend based on this new plea and verdict.

According to the Department of Corrections, this bill may affect as few as 2 individuals per year. However, their appeals and their treatment plans may increase costs to the state. The Department of Justice is unable to predict or estimate the exact costs at this time.

The effect on local law enforcement would be minimal. The effect on local district attorney office is best left up to the State Prosecutors office to determine.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications