

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 01-2191/1	Introduction Number AB-719	Estimate Type Original
Subject Using a computer to commit a sex crime against a child		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a penalty for using a computer to facilitate having sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a person believed to be a child. The new penalty allows the offender to be incarcerated for up to 15 years, fined up to \$10,000, or both. In addition, the bill categorizes the offense as serious, thus including it in the 'three strikes' laws. Offenders will also be required to file with the Department's Sex Offender Registry.

Because it is unclear how many individuals will be sentenced under the provisions of this bill, it is impossible for the Department to determine the impact on prison populations or the Sex Offender Registry. If this bill were to result in increased prison populations, the costs to the Department would increase.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications