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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under s. 948.10 (1) whoever, for purposes of sexual arousal or sexual gratification, causes a child to expose genitals or pubic area or exposes genitals or pubic area to a child is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor. LRB-3576/1 increases the penalty for such an offense to a Class I felony.

While most felony prosecutions are handled by district attorneys, assistant attorneys general in the Department of Justice's Criminal Litigation Unit on occasion act as special prosecutors throughout Wisconsin at the request of district attorneys. In addition, the Department of Justice's Criminal Appeals Unit represents the State of Wisconsin in defending felony convictions when those convictions are challenged in state or federal court. Under Wisconsin law, this unit is charged with preparing briefs and presenting arguments in front of any state appellate or federal court hearing a challenge to a felony conviction.

Since LRB-3576/1 will increase the types of activities that can be prosecuted as a felony, it is possible that the enactment of the bill could result in an increased caseload for the department's Criminal Litigation and Criminal Appeals units. However, the department anticipates that any increase in caseload would be relatively small and could most likely be absorbed with existing resources.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications