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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a new mitigating factor for courts to consider when making a sentencing decision for a person convicted of a criminal offense. In addition to consideration of the protection of the public, the gravity of the offense, the rehabilitative needs of the defendant, and any applicable mitigating factors or aggravating factors to the crime, the court will also have to consider whether a military veteran has been diagnosed as suffering from PTSD a result of military service.

Several District Attorneys indicated that this legislation would not have a fiscal effect on their offices. One District Attorney indicated that the only fiscal impact may be the cost of an expert witness called to testify on whether a defendant suffers from PTSD.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

District attorneys do not anticipate long-range fiscal implications as a result of this legislation.