

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 17-3773/1	Introduction Number SB-325	Estimate Type Original
Description underage sexual activity and providing a criminal penalty		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a person who has sexual intercourse or sexual contact with a child who is at least 13 but under 16 is guilty of a Class C felony. This bill creates the offense of underage sexual activity. Under this bill, a person who has sexual intercourse with a child who is between 15 and 18, or sexual contact with a child who is 15, is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if the person is less than 19 years old. Under current law, a person may be required to register as a sex offender for certain crimes that are sexually motivated if the judge determines that it would be in the interest of public protection to have the person register. Under this bill, the new offense of underage sexual activity would be subject to this provision.

Prosecutors indicated this legislation could reduce workload if cases are resolved without litigation, or could increase workload due to new registry requirements. Therefore, the fiscal impact is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-range fiscal impact is indeterminate