

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 152** HLS 26RS 806
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Addition of Certain Substances to the UCDS Law		

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 Adds certain substances to the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law

Current law provides for the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law and definitions, composition schedules, prohibited acts, and related requirements and regulations; provides the names of certain opiates under Schedule I of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law. Proposed law adds new entries for opiates to Schedule I of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in SGF expenditures in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections – Corrections Services (DPS&C – CS) if a person is convicted of one or more of the enumerated crimes involving opiates added to the list of Schedule I Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances. Proposed law has the effect of increasing the number of controlled dangerous substances under which an offender can be convicted for possessing, manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing with intent to produce, manufacture, dispense, or distribute. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation is indeterminable, because it is not known how many people will be convicted and subject to a sentence of imprisonment as a result of convictions of crimes involving these substances. The sentences imposed for violations of the proposed law are variable, with the maximum sentence of no more than 40 years of imprisonment.


Proposed law is a relative felony, and any impact on either local or state expenditures is contingent on whether offenders sustain either misdemeanor or felony-grade convictions. For illustrative purposes, SGF expenditures will increase by \$107.60 per offender per day to the extent that an offender is convicted, sentenced, and then subsequently housed in a state facility or \$29.39 per offender per day for an offender housed in a local facility. Corrections Services reports that impacts on offender populations are anticipated to affect the number of offenders held in local facilities. Corrections Services reports that in managing its offender population, it seeks to fill all beds in state facilities first, then assigns overflow offenders to local facilities.

To the extent that an offender sustains a misdemeanor conviction for violation of the proposed law, local governing authorities may sustain an increase in Local Funds expenditures. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation to local governing authorities is indeterminable, since it is not known how many people will be convicted and incarcerated in local facilities, nor the length of the sentences assessed with those convictions as a result of its potential enactment. The maximum imprisonment term is no more than five years at the local level.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of potential fines for possessing, manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing with intent to produce, manufacture, dispense, or distribute substances added to Schedule I of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable, because the fines imposed on those convicted are optional, and the amount of the fines, if imposed, may vary. The potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}	<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	


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