

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 132** HLS 26RS 546

Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Battery	

CRIME/BATTERY

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Provides relative to battery of a police officer

Current law provides for the crime of battery of a police officer; assesses a sentence of imprisonment of no less than 15 days nor more than six months, without benefit of suspension of sentence, for those convicted; assesses a sentence of imprisonment of no less than one year nor more than three years, or a fine of no more than \$500, for second or subsequent convictions. Proposed law adds to the definition of battery the intentional directing of sound at another, in close proximity to another's ear or head, under circumstances in which the sound is capable of causing physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury, and in such a manner that a reasonable person would foresee that the conduct would cause physical pain, hearing impairment, or injury.

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

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures, to the extent that a person is convicted of battery by intentionally directing sound at another, in close proximity to another's ear or head, under circumstances in which sound is capable or reasonably foreseeable to cause physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury. Proposed law has the effect of adding circumstances under which an offender can be convicted of battery. The exact fiscal impact 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 at the local level is no more than six months.

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental expenditures as a result of this measure because this legislation creates a misdemeanor offense; therefore, these offenders will not be sentenced to the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C-CS).

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of convictions of battery by intentionally directing sound at another, in close proximity to another's ear or head, under circumstances in which sound is capable or reasonably foreseeable to cause physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable because the fines that would be imposed on those convicted (no more than \$1,000) are optional, and the amount of the fines, if imposed, may vary. The potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

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House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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