



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 627** HLS 22RS 69
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Penalties for the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle	

CRIME EG DECREASE LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to the penalties for the crime of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

Current law provides that a person convicted of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than 2 years, or both.

Proposed legislation revises the penalties for the conviction of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicles. Upon a first offense, the penalty includes a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. Upon a second and subsequent conviction, the penalties include a fine of not more than \$2,000 or imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than 2 years, or both.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	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	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There may be a decrease in SGF expenditures for the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C), as well as local expenditures, to the extent a person is convicted of a first offense of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. The first offense of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle is a misdemeanor with a penalty of imprisonment for not more than 6 months. To the extent the proposed legislation results in an average time served less than under current law, there will be an indeterminable savings to both DPS&C and local jails. The decrease in expenditures depends on the number of persons convicted, the minimum sentence an offender serves, and the cost per day for a local law enforcement agency to incarcerate an offender.

There will be no change in the expenditures for the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C) to the extent a person is convicted of a second or subsequent offense of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and sentenced to hard labor for up to 2 years. This penalty remains unchanged from current law.

For illustrative purposes, DPS&C currently has 450 offenders in custody for the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. In 2021, there were 250 people convicted of this crime with an average sentence length of 2 years and there were 569 released with an average time served of 12 years.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation may reduce local fund revenue to the extent that the fines assessed are lower than those prior to the passage of this bill. The maximum potential fine under proposed law is \$2,000, which is lower than the current fine of \$5,000. Any potential revenue will accrue to the local governmental entities.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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