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CRIME/PUNISHMENT OR INCREASE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Increases the penalties for the crime of carjacking. (7/1/24) (Item #9)

Current law provides that the penalty for the crime carjacking is imprisonment at hard labor for not less than two years, without benefit of parole, probation or suspension of sentence. Current law provides that the penalty for the crime of carjacking when serious bodily injury results is imprisonment at hard labor for not less than ten years nor more than twenty years, without benefit of parole, probation or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law amends present law to increase the penalty of imprisonment for carjacking to no less than five years nor more than twenty years, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Proposed law amends present law to increase the penalty of imprisonment for carjacking when serious bodily injury results to no less than twenty years nor more than 30 years.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will likely 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 committing the crime of carjacking or carjacking when serious bodily injury results. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation is indeterminable, since it is not known how many people will be convicted or the length of sentences imposed on those who are convicted as a result of this change to present law.

SGF expenditures will increase by \$107.60 per offender per day to the extent that an offender is convicted and then housed in a state facility or \$26.39 per offender per day for an offender housed in a local facility. An offender sentenced to the custody of the DPSC – CS for one year would increase expenditures by \$39,274 (\$107.60 per day x 365 days) if housed in a state facility and \$9,632.35 (\$26.39 per day x 365 days) if housed in a local facility.

Increasing the minimal sentencing for the crime of carjacking from no less than two years to no less than five years will increase minimal expenditures by \$28,897.05 over three years (for those convicted and housed in a local facility) and \$117,822 (for those housed in a state facility). Increasing the minimal sentencing for the crime of carjacking when serious bodily injury results from no less than ten years to no less than twenty years will increase minimal expenditures by \$96,323.50 for those convicted and housed in a local facility (and \$392,740 for those housed in a state facility).


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REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. The crime of carjacking does not include any financial penalty to be assessed against those convicted of committing the offense.

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

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
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For informational purposes, DPS&C-CS advised that on average, for the last three years, 22 individuals have been incarcerated for carjacking, with an average sentence length of 7 years. If the proposed law was enacted, the average time that an inmate would serve for carjacking, in the worst case scenario, would be extended by 13 years.

Under current law, the maximum sentence that can be imposed for those convicted of carjacking is not more than 20 years. If required to serve an additional 13 years under proposed law (20 years versus 7 years), the cost to house offenders in state facilities would increase by \$510,562 per offender over a 13-year period (\$39,274 annually). For an average of 22 inmates incarcerated each year, that figure would roughly equal \$11.2 M over a 13-year period (\$39,274 per inmate per year x 13 years x 22 inmates = \$11,232,364) or \$864,028 per year.

Note: These figures do not include cost information for prospective fiscal impact to local facilities. The LFO is working with the Louisiana Sheriff's Association to obtain information relative to the fiscal impact to local facilities, and this information will be provided once it becomes available.

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