



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note**

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 Provides relative to reporting requirements for persons convicted of production or manufacturing of methamphetamine

Under proposed law, anyone over 21 years of age convicted of the production or manufacturing of methamphetamine and living in the State, must register with the local sheriff or chief of police. Proposed law requires registration within 30 business days of their current address, moving to a new address, establishing an additional address, or name change. If any person fails to register, proposed law provides for a fine of \$1,000, imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both. Proposed law provides that any person who certifies by affidavit the location of the residence of the offender must send written notice, within 30 days, to the law enforcement agency of residency changes or be fined \$500, imprisoned for up to 6 months, or both. Proposed law requires registration while under an order of imprisonment for 1st offense, 2nd offense, or 3rd offense; and lifetime registration for persons with 4th and subsequent offenses.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will likely increase Local Funds expenditures by an indeterminable amount in sheriff's offices and municipal police departments throughout the state. Also, proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase if a person is convicted of failure to register and imprisoned. The maximum imprisonment term is not more than 6 months.

Local Sheriff's Offices and Municipal Police Departments - The proposed law requires any person convicted of the production or manufacturing of meth must register with their local sheriff's office or chief of police, if living in an incorporated area that has a police department. The expenditure impact of maintaining a registry will vary by sheriff's offices and police departments and depend on the number of convicted persons living in that parish or municipality. Although the proposed law is silent on whether sheriff's offices and municipal police departments may assess annual registration fees, the Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) presumes that local law enforcement will assess some amount of fee to defray the costs of maintaining a register similar to registration fees assessed for the State Sex Offender and Child Predator Registry.

Local Prisons - The proposed law provides that any person convicted of production or manufacturing of meth that fails to register with enforcement agencies shall be fined not more than \$1,000, imprisoned for not less than six months, or both. Also, the proposed law further provides that any person who fails to provide notice of the residence of the offender required under this measure shall be fined not more than \$500, imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both. Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures for local governing authorities if a person is convicted of failure to register. 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 one year at the local level.

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 are not sentenced to Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C).

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may increase local revenue by an indeterminable amount. Under the proposed law, any convicted person who fails to register shall be fined not more than \$1,000, imprisonment of up to 6 months, or both. Also, any person who fails to provide a written notice regarding a change of residence with 30 days shall be fined not more than \$500, imprisoned for not more than 6 months, or both. The number of persons that may be fined and imprisoned under this measure is speculative and indeterminable. The potential revenue will accrue to the local government entities.

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