



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 220** HLS 25RS 723

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Corrections and Sheriffs		
Subject: Improper Storage of a Firearm		Analyst: Daniel Druilhet

WEAPONS/FIREARMS

Creates the crime of improper storage of a firearm

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Proposed law creates the crime of unlawful storage of a firearm, which is the intentional or criminally negligent placement of a loaded firearm within a dwelling or vehicle that results in the possession of such firearm by a minor child who either discharges the firearm or causes, or attempts to cause, the injury or death of himself or another person; assesses a sentence of imprisonment of no more than six months, or a fine of no more than \$1,000, or both, for those convicted; provides circumstances in which the proposed law is not applicable; provides for applicable definitions.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	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	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures for local governing authorities if a person is convicted of unlawfully storing a loaded firearm. The exact fiscal impact of this legislation to local governing authorities is indeterminable, since it creates a crime, and 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 unlawful storage of a firearm. 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 are optional, and the amount of the fines (not more than \$1,000), if imposed, may vary. The potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

- ☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
- ☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}
- ☐ 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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