



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 363** HLS 25RS 863  
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
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<b>Subject:</b> Cruelty and Exploitation of the Elderly		

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 Provides relative to cruelty and exploitation of the elderly

Current law provides for the crimes of cruelty to persons with infirmities and exploitation of persons with infirmities; current law includes persons who are aged; assesses a sentence of imprisonment of no more than 10 years, with or without hard labor, or a fine of \$10,000, or both, for those convicted. Proposed law adds financial exploitation to the crime of exploitation of elderly persons or persons with infirmities; changes the term aged to elderly; assesses a sentence of imprisonment of no less than one year nor more than 10 years, with or without hard labor, or a fine of no more than \$20,000, or both, for those convicted of a second or subsequent offense of cruelty to persons with infirmities and exploitation of persons with infirmities; provides that a person convicted of exploitation of elderly persons with infirmities shall make full restitution to the victim and anyone else who suffered a financial loss.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	<b>SEE BELOW</b>					
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<b>SEE BELOW</b>					
<b>Annual Total</b>						
REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in SGF expenditures in the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C), if a person is convicted of financial exploitation of elderly persons or a second or subsequent conviction for exploitation of elderly persons or persons with infirmities. Proposed law has the effect of expanding the circumstances under which violations of current law can occur and imposes a mandatory sentence of imprisonment for second or subsequent convictions. Proposed law is a relative felony, and any impact on either state or local expenditures is contingent on whether offenders sustain either a misdemeanor or felony-grade convictions for its violation.

To the extent that offenders sustain a felony-grade conviction for violation of the proposed law, DPS&C-CS will sustain an indeterminable increase in expenditures. For those convicted, sentenced, and then subsequently housed in a state facility, DPS&C-CS will sustain expenditures of \$107.60 per offender per day. For those housed in local facilities, DPS&C-CS will sustain expenditures of \$26.39 per offender per day. DPS&C-CS advises that impacts on offender populations are anticipated to impact the number of offenders held in local facilities, and that in managing its offender population, it seeks to fill all beds in state facilities first, then assigns overflow offenders to local facilities.

To the extent that offenders sustain a misdemeanor conviction for violation of the proposed law, local governing authorities will sustain Local Funds expenditures. 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 10 years.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of convictions of exploitation of elderly persons or persons with infirmities. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable, as the fines that would be imposed on those convicted 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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| <b>Senate</b><br><u>Dual Referral Rules</u><br><input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}<br><input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H} | <b>House</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}<br><input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |
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