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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 152** SLS 13RS 460  
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 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Authorizes courts exercising juvenile jurisdiction to designate by rule one or more divisions to which gun and weapon-related offenses may be assigned and to establish a weapon-related offenses probation program. (gov sig)  
 Proposed bill provides that each court exercising juvenile jurisdiction by local rule may designate as a gun division one or more divisions to which gun and weapon-related offenses are assigned and may establish a probation program to be administered by the presiding judge. Proposed bill provides that each court exercising juvenile jurisdiction may enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the district attorney, local public defender, Office Juvenile Justice and/or any public or private agency to implement a gun and weapon-related offenses probation program.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation may result in an indeterminable increase in state and/or local government expenditures. The bill provides that each court that is exercising juvenile jurisdiction may designate a gun division within that court to hear gun and weapon-related offenses and may establish a gun and weapon-related offenses probation program.

The specific expenditures are dependent upon the size and structure of the gun and weapon-related offenses probation program. This bill provides that each court may enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the district attorney, local public defender, Office of Juvenile Justice and/or any public or private agency to implement this probation program. To the extent this bill's intention is to create a new weapons related probation program for the newly created gun court dockets, the Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) could experience an increase in state general fund expenditures. According to OJJ, for every 22 new probation cases, OJJ would need 1 probation officer position. However, if the newly created gun probation program is similar to existing OJJ probation programs, no additional resources would be required.

In addition, there could be an indeterminable increase in expenditures to the LA Public Defender Board. To the extent a juvenile gun court is created, the agency is interpreting the legislation to mean that a public defender will likely be needed for the newly created docket. The specific costs to the agency are indeterminable as it is dependent upon the number of cases assigned to the new court. According to LA Public Defender Board records, in calendar year 2012 public defenders represented 1,534 cases involving juveniles with weapons.

To the extent the newly created gun division involves court hearings above the normal current court activity, the courts will likely experience an increase in expenditures. However, such costs may be mitigated as it is possible that some the cases that would have otherwise been heard in an existing division will now be transferred and heard in the gun division.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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

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