

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1633-01  
Bill No.: SB 495  
Subject: Victims of Crime; Criminal Procedure; Crimes and Punishment  
Type: Original  
Date: March 28, 2005

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
General Revenue	Up to \$10,000	Up to \$10,000	\$Up to 10,000
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>Up to \$10,000</b>	<b>Up to \$10,000</b>	<b>Up to \$10,000</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>	<b>FY 2007</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** and the **Department of Public Safety – Director’s Office** assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agencies.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume the proposal provides that notification given to a crime victim must utilize the statewide automated crime victim notification system.

Passage of this bill would provide savings for DOC in the form of eliminating postage and office supplies that were used for hard-copy mail-outs for victim notification. Telephonic notification would now be the primary method for communication of information. Letters would only be sent when the automated system couldn’t be used.

In summary, the exact savings to DOC is unknown but has the potential of up to \$10,000 per annum.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Savings</u> – Department of Corrections			
Reduced postage and supplies	<u>Up to \$10,000</u>	<u>Up to \$10,000</u>	<u>\$Up to 10,000</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>Up to \$10,000</u></b>	<b><u>Up to \$10,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$Up to 10,000</u></b>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

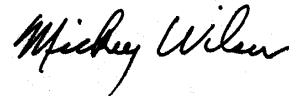
The proposed legislation would require that notification given to a crime victim of an offender's release utilize the statewide automated crime victim notification system. If the system cannot be used, written notification by mail to the most current address would be sufficient.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator  
Department of Corrections  
Department of Public Safety  
– Director's Office  
Department of Social Services

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Director  
March 28, 2005