

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: May 6, 2010
POSITION: Neutral

BILL NUMBER: SB 1204
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BILL SUMMARY: Sex Offenders: Social Networking

This bill would require a person who is required to register as a sex offender to inform the law enforcement agency with which he or she last registered of all of his or her online addresses, e-mail addresses, and instant messaging user names no later than December 31, 2011, and, thereafter, at the time of original registration and within 30 days of establishing a new online account.

FISCAL SUMMARY

This bill would have no fiscal impact on the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

At the time of this analysis the Department of Justice (DOJ) was unable to provide us with any fiscal information related to this measure. However, we believe that because this measure merely authorizes local law enforcement agencies to share specified information with the DOJ upon their request, any new workload generated by these requests would be discretionary and absorbable within DOJ's existing resources.

According to the Judicial Council, to the extent the new crime created by this measure creates new caseload, there would be an increased courts backlog and therefore increased pressure on the General Fund to support these increases.

Any local government costs resulting from the mandate in this measure would not be state-reimbursable, because the mandate only involves the definition of a crime or the penalty for conviction of a crime.

COMMENTS

Existing law requires persons who have been convicted of specified crimes, and other persons as required by a court, to register as a sex offender. Existing law also sets forth the procedure for doing so and provides that a violation of the sex offender registration law is a crime, punishable as specified.

This bill would require a person who is required to register as a sex offender to inform the law enforcement agency or agencies with which he or she last registered of all of his or her online addresses, e-mail addresses, and instant messaging user names no later than December 31, 2011, and, thereafter, at the time of original registration and within 30 days of establishing a new online account.

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| Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type | SO | (Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year) | | | | | | | Fund Code |
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| | LA | (Dollars in Thousands) | | | | | | | |
| | CO RV | PROP 98 | FC | 2010-2011 | FC | 2011-2012 | FC | 2012-2013 | |
| 0250/Jud Branch | SO | No | | | ----- | See Fiscal Summary | ----- | | 0001 |
| 0820/Justice | SO | No | | | ----- | No/Minor Fiscal Impact | ----- | | 0001 |
| 5225/Corr & Rehab | SO | No | | | ----- | No/Minor Fiscal Impact | ----- | | 0001 |