

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 54th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB2589
Version:	CS
Request Number:	
Author:	Representative Ownbey
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Impact:	Increase in Prison Costs

Research Analysis

Not required.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS for HB2589 adds four additional drugs to the Trafficking in Illegal Drugs Act. Depending upon the quantity in their possession, persons convicted under this Act would receive a minimum sentence of ten years, which is twice the prison term for possession of the substance. For a second violation of trafficking the offender would receive a sentence of not less than fifteen years, which is three times the sentence for possession. For a third or subsequent trafficking offense the offender would receive a sentence of life without parole.

Every person sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections will cost the state approximately \$49 per day for each day of incarceration. The fiscal impact would be dependent upon the number of adjudicated cases and the length of the prison term imposed.

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Other Considerations

None.