

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 54th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB2608
Version:	CS
Request Number:	10420
Author:	Representative Williams
Date:	3/3/2014
Impact:	Decrease in Prison Costs

Research Analysis

Not required.

Prepared By: Marcia Goff

Fiscal Analysis

The CS for HB2608 changes the penalty for persons convicted of two or more previous felony violations of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act from life without parole, to not less than twenty years to life imprisonment or life without parole. This change will decrease prison costs for those persons sentenced to less than life without parole.

Every person convicted and sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections costs the state approximately \$49 per day for each day of incarceration. The savings in prison costs would be dependent upon the number of adjudicated cases and the length of the prison term as opposed to life without parole.

Prepared By: Marilyn Anderson

Other Considerations

None.