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Bill No.:HB2441Version:CSRequest Number:CSAuthor:Representative RousselotDate:2/24/2014Impact:Increase in Prison Costs

Research Analysis

The Committee Substitute to HB 2441 provides that any person who has a prior conviction for stalking and after being served with a protective order knowingly makes unconsented contact with the person is guilty of a felony. Punishment for second and subsequent violations is increased from not more than 10 years imprisonment to not less than 10 years imprisonment. Allows for the issuance of a victim protective order for sex offenses, kidnapping and assault and battery with a deadly weapon.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS for HB2441 increases the penalty for a second offense of stalking after being served with a protective order from not exceeding five years to not less than five years. HB2441 increases the penalty for persons found guilty of stalking within ten years of completion of a previous sentence for stalking from not exceeding ten years to not less than ten years.

The increased penalties in HB2441 will increase prison costs depending upon the number of adjudicated cases and length of the sentence terms imposed. Every person sentenced to the custody of the Department of Corrections costs the state approximately \$49 per day for each day of incarceration.

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Other Considerations

None.

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