

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 1472
Version:	INT
Request Number:	5964
Author:	Rep. Dunlap
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Impact:	Creates new fee for General Revenue, creates a new misdemeanor and fine

Research Analysis

Pending

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1472, as introduced, establishes a \$20 fee on private individuals wishing to opt out of the digital blocking capability. The revenue from this fee would be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. The amount of revenue generated is contingent upon the number of persons paying the fee.

The measure also creates a misdemeanor for those who violate the new language with a penalty of imprisonment of up to 1 year in county jail and/or by a fine no less than \$1,000. The bill gives the Attorney General the ability to file a civil suit and seek damages of up to \$500 for each piece of content. The revenue generated by this new ability is dependent upon how many civil suits are won by the Attorney General.

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Other Considerations

Most likely a fiscal impact on private business who manufactures, distributes, or sells a product that makes content accessible on the internet.