

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB1613
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Impact:	No negative impact

Research Analysis

HB 1613 modifies the penalties for larceny of merchandise from a retailer when the value of the property is less than \$1,000 by increasing the possibility of jail time to up to 1 year in the county jail. The measure also increases the fine to not more than \$1,000 for a first conviction. Upon a second conviction, the measure creates a graduated tier of punishment based upon the value of the property stolen. If the value of the property is \$500 or less, the penalty is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for up to 1 year and a fine of not less than \$1,000. If the value of the property is greater than \$500, the penalty is a felony punishable by up to 3 years in prison and a fine of up to \$2,500. Any third or subsequent conviction when the value of the property is greater than \$500, the penalty is a felony punishable by imprisonment for up to 5 years and a fine of up to \$5,000.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure restructures various fees and incarceration terms for offenses related to larceny. Depending on the number of previous convictions of the offender, HB1613 has the potential to increase revenues collected for the courts but also creating increased incarcerations for the Department of Corrections. The number of these violations is not predictable or quantifiable, however there is no negative impact expected to state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.