



offense, and a Class C felony for subsequent offenses. When a court denies bail for Class C or Class D felony defendants, the local government is responsible for incarcerating the defendants until disposition of the case in one of Kentucky's 78 full service jails or five life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, each additional inmate increases facility costs by an estimated \$31.34 per day. The Department of Corrections pays a jail \$31.34 per day to house a Class D felon and, under some conditions, a Class C felon. Because failure to register as a convicted sex offender is a felony, local jails will be reimbursed by the Department of Corrections, and would result in minimal cost to local jails. However, the per diem may be less than, equal to, or greater than the actual housing cost.

Additionally, the bill would have minimal fiscal impact on local law enforcement. The Association of Chiefs of Police notes that the bill may increase the workload of local law enforcement agencies, but would have little fiscal impact.

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