

life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, each additional inmate increases facility costs by an estimated average of \$31.92 per day. Upon sentencing, a Class D felon is housed in one of Kentucky's full service jails for the duration of his or her sentence. The Department of Corrections pays a jail \$31.92 per day to house a D felon. Since the per diem pays for the estimated average cost of housing a Class D felon, the per diem may be less than, equal to, or greater than the actual housing cost.

SB 284 would require anyone convicted of possession or viewing of child pornography to a period of postincarceration supervision, placing the offender under the purview of the Department of Corrections, thus, under the purview of the state. If the offender violates any provision of his postincarceration supervision, he would likely be sent back to the state institution where he completed his sentence. If the offender was housed in a local jail before being transferred to a state institution, the jail would likely be reimbursed by the Department of Corrections for any costs, thus the impact on local governments should be minimal.

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