

Local Mandate Fiscal Impact Estimate
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
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Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 224

Bill #: HB 26 GA

Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to inspections by sheriffs

Sponsor: Rep. Adam Koenig

Unit of Government: City County Urban-County
 Charter County Consolidated Local Unified Local
Government

Office(s) Impacted: Sheriffs' offices

Requirement: Mandatory Optional

Effect on

Powers & Duties: Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Part II: Purpose and Mechanics

The purpose of HB 26 is to repeal KRS 70.160 and so remove the statutory requirement that county sheriffs "shall at least once each month" perform the following duties:

visit and inspect each public place in his county where music is furnished or permitted, or where public dancing is conducted or permitted, and also all camps, restaurants, roadhouses, or any place where intoxicating liquors are sold or furnished . . . to the public, or where men and women are furnished rooms for lodging either in the day or the night.

Section 4 of the bill would repeal KRS 70.160. Sections 1, 2 and 3 would make conforming amendments to related statutes.

Part III: Fiscal Explanation, Bill Provisions, and Estimated Cost

Under KRS 70.170 local sheriffs' offices are paid \$3600 each year to perform the duties imposed by KRS 70.160 (above) and by KRS 70.150 (patrolling county roads, traffic control, investigating traffic accidents in county). HB 26 would not change the yearly payment to local sheriffs. Few sheriffs' offices actually perform a monthly inspection of

the facilities listed in KRS 70.160 for lack of manpower, though they respond to calls from the facilities; therefore, the practical effect and fiscal impact of the bill on sheriffs' offices is none to minimal. Nor are such visits and inspections an extra cost the county fiscal courts are likely to feel a need to pick up, since other county and state offices (county health department, Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control) already exert regulatory control over, and conduct inspections of, such facilities.

Data Source(s): Kentucky Sheriff's Association;

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