Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2018 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #:456							
Bill #: HB 412							
Document ID #: 4719							
Bill Subject/Title: An Act relating to firearms. Mandates reporting of lost or stolen firearms.							
Sponsor: Representative Reginald K. Meeks							
Unit of Government:	XCityXCountyXUrban-CountyXCharter CountyXConsolidated LocalXGovernment						
Office(s) Impacted: Local law enforcement, Jails							
Requirement: X	Mandatory Optional						
Effect on Powers & Duties:	Modifies Existing X Adds New Eliminates Existing						

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

This Act creates a new section of KRS Chapter 237 to mandate the reporting of lost or stolen firearms within 72 hours of the time a person knew or should have known the firearm was lost or stolen. The measure requires that certain information about the firearm(s) be furnished to the Department of Kentucky State Police (KSP), who will create a system for sharing the collected information with all law enforcement agencies.

Any person who fails to report the loss or theft a firearm shall be guilty of a violation. A first offense is a violation and is subject to a fine of not more than \$100. A second offense is also a violation and subject to a fine of not more than \$500. Third or subsequent offenses shall be Class A misdemeanors, and those offenders become permanently ineligible to receive a license to carry concealed deadly weapons.

The incidence of being cited by law enforcement for not reporting lost or stolen firearms is remote. Therefore, **the overall fiscal impact of this measure is expected to be nil to**

minimal. Local costs attributed to this bill would be limited to developing policies and procedures for reporting data to KSP, and potential jail time for Class A misdemeanants.

A person convicted of a Class A misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to twelve months. Misdemeanants are housed in one of Kentucky's 76 full-service jails or four life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, this estimated impact will be based on \$31.34 per day, which equals the per diem and medical expenses that the Department of Corrections pays jails to house felony offenders. While the majority of misdemeanants are granted bail, those who are not will also cost local jails an average of \$31.34 per day.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

The Part II section above pertains to the bill as introduced and there are not any prior introduced versions of the bill to complete the Part III section.

Data Source(s):	LRC Staff; Kentucky Department of Corrections		
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