Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2022 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 75							
Bill #: HB 220 GA							
Document ID #: <u>5158</u>							
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to intimidation of a sports official.							
Sponsor: Representative David Hale							
Unit of Government:XCityXCountyXUrban-CountyXCharter CountyXConsolidated LocalXGovernment							
Office(s) Impacted: Law Enforcement, Jails							
Requirement: <u>X</u> Mandatory Optional							
Effect on Powers & Duties: Modifies ExistingX_ Adds New Eliminates Existing							

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

HB 220 creates a new section of KRS Chapter 518. HB 220 provides that a person is guilty of intimidating a sports official when he or she threatens a sports official in an effort to commit, make, or delay any act, decision, or determination regarding a present or future sports contest. Such threats include communicating the intent to:

- Cause physical injury to the official;
- Cause physical injury to the property of the official;
- Physically confine or restrain the official; or
- Any other illegal act intended to harm the official's health, safety, or business/financial interest.

Intimidation of a sport's official will be a Class A misdemeanor.

The fiscal impact of HB 220 on local governments is expected to be minimal.

KRS 518.090 currently addresses the actual physical assault of a sports official. For reference, statistics received form the Administrative Office of the Courts show there were only 7 cases of assault on a sports official, 1st offense, from 1/1/2017 thru 12/7/2021. Whereas HB 220 addresses *the threat* of an assault or any other illegal activity, thus lowering the threshold for determining if a crime has been committed, the number of crimes committed under this new section might be slightly more.

A person convicted of a Class A misdemeanor may be incarcerated for up to twelve months. Misdemeanants are housed in one of Kentucky's 74 full service jails or three life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, this estimated impact will be based on an average cost to incarcerate of \$35.43 per day. While the majority of misdemeanor defendants are granted bail, those who do not will also cost local jails an average cost to incarcerate of \$35.43 per day.

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

Part II refers to HB 220 GA version. The GA version is the same as the bill introduced. No amendments or substitutes were adopted when the bill passed its chamber of origin.

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