



**The fiscal impact of SB 119 GA is expected to be minimal.** Though the bill somewhat lowers the threshold for what could be considered a sexual offense if that offense involves sexual contact, the revision is relatively small and likely would only have a marginal impact on the number of additional offenses that would qualify under KRS Chapter 510 because the “intentional touching of the clothing covering the immediate area of the [victim’s parts]” done for a “sexual purpose” would likely already be construed as sexual contact even under current statute. This bill mostly just clarifies and makes explicit what common sense would demand from law enforcement investigating sexual offenses.

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

Part II refers to SB 119 GA. The GA version is substantively similar to the SCS 1 version.

The SCS 1 version of SB 119 is substantively similar to the bill introduced but makes some minor changes in language. The phrase “intentional touching can be construed by a reasonable person” is substituted for “intentional touching can reasonably be construed” and “a person’s” is substituted for “the victim’s or actor’s.”

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