

The qualifying felony offenses include homicide, kidnapping, sexual offenses and other serious crimes. These crimes typically, result in an issuance of a protection order. It is not expected HB 81 would increase the numbers of jail inmates. Those who do intentionally violate the protective order and are convicted of a Class A misdemeanor would be subject to incarceration for up to 12 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 \$44.97 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 \$44.97 per day.

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