

CORRECTIONS IMPACT STATEMENT

SESSION: 25RS BILL #: HB 320 Introduced

BR #: 868

BILL SPONSOR(S): Rep. M. Clines

AMENDMENT SPONSOR(S):

TITLE: AN ACT relating to controlled substances.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Create new section of KRS Chapter 218A to create a criminal offense of trafficking a controlled substance on hospital property as a Class D felony unless a higher penalty applies; amend KRS 218A.1415 to establish possession of a controlled substance on hospital property is a Class D felony unless a higher penalty applies.

AMENDMENT:

This bill amendment committee substitute is expected to:

Have the following Corrections impact

- Creates new crime(s)
- Increases penalty for existing crime(s)
- Increases incarceration
- Reduces inmate/offender services
- Increases staff time or positions
- Changes elements of the offense for existing crime(s)
- Otherwise impacts incarceration (Explain):

Have no Corrections impact.

- Repeals existing crime(s)
- Decreases penalty for existing crime(s)
- Decreases incarceration.
- Increases inmate/offender services.
- Reduces staff time or positions.

STATE IMPACT: Class A, B, & C felonies are based on an average daily prison rate of \$122.84. Community Custody Class C and most Class D felons are housed in one of seventy-four (74) full-service or regional jails for up to five (5) years. Department of Corrections cost to incarcerate a felony inmate in jail is \$47.43 per day, which includes \$35.34 per diem, medical costs, and central office administrative costs (substance abuse treatment not included).*

Projected Impact: NONE MINIMAL to MODERATE (< \$1 million) SIGNIFICANT (> \$1 million)

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- One (1) Class D Felon costs KY \$17,313.27 to \$86,566.34.
- Ten (10) Class D Felons cost KY \$173,132.67 to \$865,663.37.
- One hundred (100) Class D Felons cost KY \$1,731,326.74 to \$8,656,633.71.

Population counts and offender data are sourced from the Kentucky Offender Management System (KOMS). Cost to Incarcerate can be found on corrections.ky.gov/public-information.

LOCAL IMPACT: Local governments are responsible for the cost of incarcerating individuals charged with Class A or B misdemeanors and felony defendants until the disposition of the case. The estimated impact will be based on the \$47.43 cost to incarcerate for the Department of Corrections, including \$35.34 per diem and medical that DOC pays jails to house felony offenders. This cost to incarcerate may not be the actual housing cost for the jail.*

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