

**Local Government Mandate Statement
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
2025 Regular Session**

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #:	397	Bill #:	HB 98
Document ID #:	1052	Sponsor:	Rep. Stephanie Dietz
Bill Title:	AN ACT relating to violent offenders		

Unit of Government: City County Urban-County
 Charter County Consolidated Local Unified Local

Office(s) Impacted: Jails

Requirement: Mandatory Optional

Effect on Powers & Duties: Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Other Fiscal Statement(s) that may exist: Actuarial Analysis Corrections Impact
 Health Benefit Mandate State Employee Health Plan

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

The bill reclassifies the crime of kidnapping as a violent offense and a Class A Felony.

The fiscal impact of HB 98 is indeterminable but expected to be negative. The number of potential violations cannot be anticipated, but there will be costs associated with incarcerating offenders in county jails. Escalating the offense to a more serious level will lead to longer periods of incarceration pre-trial for offenders, in addition to the time spent in county jails after sentencing before the offender is transferred to the state institution, which can last up to 45 days.

Data Source(s): Kentucky Jailors Association

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