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TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1758 by Krause (Relating to the operation and use of an unmanned aircraft; creating a criminal offense.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government and Penal Codes relating to the operation and use of an unmanned aircraft. The offense created by the bill would be a Class A misdemeanor.

This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill addressing sanctions for criminal offenses would not result in a significant impact on state correctional agencies.

According to the Office of Court Administration, no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both. Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Admin

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