S.B. 997 (S-1): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 997 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Burton Leland

Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Penal Code to include a violation of the proposed "Michigan Anti-Terrorism Act" as a predicate offense in the Code's definition of racketeering.

Under the Code, "racketeering" means committing, attempting to commit, conspiring to commit, or aiding or abetting, soliciting, coercing, or intimidating a person to commit, for financial gain, an offense listed in the definition. The bill would add to that list a violation of the Michigan Anti-Terrorism Act, which Senate Bill 930 would create.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 930.

MCL 750.159g Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

To the extent that it would add violations of the proposed Michigan Anti-Terrorism Act to the offenses that may be involved in racketeering, the bill potentially could increase costs to State and local government. Offenders convicted of racketeering receive a sentence with a minimum range of 0-18 to 117-160 months and are subject to probation or incarceration in a local or State facility. Local units would incur the cost of incarceration in a local facility, while the State would incur the cost of felony probation estimated at \$4.38 per day and the cost of incarceration in a State facility at an annual average cost of \$25,000. If one additional offender were convicted, were sentenced to prison, and received the longest minimum sentence, the cost to the State would be \$333,000.

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