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House Bill 5858 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Jennifer Faunce
House Committee: Criminal Justice
Senate Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Penal Code to increase to \$5,000 the maximum fine that applies to a felony for which no other punishment is prescribed.

Currently, the penalty for a felony for which no other punishment is specially prescribed is imprisonment for up to four years, a maximum fine of \$2,000, or both. The bill would raise the maximum fine to \$5,000.

The bill would take effect on January 1, 2003. It is tie-barred to Senate Bill 1028, which also would increase the maximum "default" fine for a felony to \$5,000, as well as increase from \$100 to \$500 the maximum fine for a misdemeanor for which no penalty is specified.

MCL 750.503

Legislative Analyst: Suzanne Lowe

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State.

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on local governments. To the extent that it would raise penal fines, the bill would increase funds available to public libraries.

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