

Fiscal Analysis

DISPLAY OF SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL



Bill/Sponsor	HOUSE BILL 4360 Substitute (H-8), Rep. Triette E. Reeves
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House Committee	Commerce
Senate Committee	Judiciary

Analysis

Summary

The bill would amend 1978 PA 33, which prohibits dissemination or display of sexually explicit matter to minors, to define "display" and limit display of the regulated matter to restricted areas (as defined by the bill) visually inaccessible to minors. The bill also would delete prohibitions against display via the internet. Violation of the act would continue to be a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days in jail and/or a fine of up to \$5,000.

Fiscal Impact

The bill would have an indeterminate impact on local units of government. There are no statewide data to indicate how many misdemeanor convictions are obtained under the current act, or how that number might be affected by the changes proposed by the bill. Any costs or savings attributable to the bill would fall on local units of government, who are responsible for misdemeanor probation and incarceration.

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