

Fiscal Analysis

BOOTLEG MOVIE-MAKING



Bill/Sponsor	HOUSE BILL 5347 Substitute (H-1) , Rep. Mike Nofs
House Committee	HOUSE BILL 5336 Substitute (H-1) , Rep. John P. Stakoe Criminal Justice

Analysis

Summary

House bills 5347 and 5336 would amend the Michigan Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure, respectively, to establish criminal penalties for videotaping during a movie without the express consent of the theater. Generally, the offense would be a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to one year, a fine of up to \$10,000, or both. A second offense would be a felony punishable by up to two years in prison, a fine of up to \$20,000, or both. A third or subsequent offense would be a felony punishable by up to four years in prison, a fine of up to \$40,000, or both.

Fiscal Impact

The bills would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the state and local units of government. The impact would depend on how the bills affected prosecutorial charging practices, numbers and types of convictions, and sentences imposed. Offenders convicted of felony offenses may present costs to the state for prison incarceration or felony probation supervision, or to local units of government for incarceration in a jail. Misdemeanor offenders are a local responsibility.

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