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Senate Bill 870 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Jim Runestad

Committee: Judiciary and Public Safety

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Penal Code to specify that an individual who knowingly possessed any nitroglycerine, or other explosive, thermite, engine, machine, tool or implement, device, electronic device, chemical or substance, adapted and designed for cutting or burning through, forcing or breaking open, accessing or bypassing, physically or electronically, the security features of any building, room, vault, safe, motor vehicle, or other depository, with intent to use it to steal any money or property would be guilty of a felony, punishable by up to 10 years' imprisonment.

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

MCL 750.116 Legislative Analyst: Stephen P. Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a negative fiscal impact on State government in that it could increase the number of prisoners housed in State correctional institutions if there were increased convictions under the proposed changes to the Code. The average annual cost to house a prisoner, which includes annualized fixed costs and all costs related to housing, feeding, and medical treatment averages \$43,000 per prisoner. The number of potential offenders that could be incarcerated under the bill is indeterminate. Additionally, if probation were offered in place of incarceration for the proposed offenses, the average cost to State government for felony probation supervision is approximately \$4,300 per probationer per year.

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