



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 44

PRINTERS NO. 2405

PRIME SPONSOR: Saccone

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2015/16	FY 2016/17
General Fund	See "Fiscal Impact" below.	

SUMMARY:

House Bill 44 amends the Judicial Code concerning sentences for offenses committed with firearms. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

This legislation requires the court to impose the mandatory five-year minimum sentence associated with committing an offense with a firearm consecutive to any other sentence imposed by the court.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the Department of Corrections (DOC), enactment of this legislation will not have an immediate fiscal impact on the Department. However, five years after the effective date of the bill, it is estimated it will cost the DOC between \$1.6 million and \$4.5 million to keep prisoners who are being held for a second, consecutive five-year minimum, rather than serving it concurrently with the first.

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DATE: October 27, 2015

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.