

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 874

PRINTERS NO. 1069

PRIME SPONSOR: Marsico

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	See "Fiscal Impact" below	

### SUMMARY:

House Bill 874 amends the Crimes Code concerning harassment, stalking, and threating to use weapons of mass destruction. It would take effect in 60 days.

### ANALYSIS:

Under current law the crimes of harassment, stalking, and threatening to use weapons of mass destruction each contain an exemption for conduct by a party to a labor dispute. This legislation would remove this exemption, allowing these offenses to be applied to a party to an organized labor dispute. For the crimes of harassment and stalking an exemption would remain for constitutionally protected activity.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

It is not possible to determine the potential fiscal impact of this legislation. Reliable data do not exist to estimate how often perpetrators of harassment, stalking, or threats to use weapons of mass destruction are not prosecuted because they are a party in an organized labor dispute. However, additional expenses for the state and local governments could result from enforcement, prosecution, and the incarceration of convicted individuals.

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