

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** SB1394

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. **Patron** Hanger

3. **Committee** Passed Both Houses

4. **Title** Computer invasion of privacy.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** Raises the penalty for committing the crime of computer invasion of privacy from a Class 3 misdemeanor to a Class 1 misdemeanor. Computer invasion of privacy is using a computer to intentionally examine without authority any employment, salary, credit or other financial or personal information relating to another person when the offender knows or should know that he is without authority to view the information displayed.

6. **Fiscal Impact:** **FINAL**, see Item 8.

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:** The fiscal impact of the proposed legislation is not known. Any fiscal impact would depend on the number of convictions. Any increase in jail population due to the imposition of a Class 1 misdemeanor will increase costs to the state.

The Commonwealth pays the localities \$8.00 a day for each misdemeanant held in a jail. It also funds most of the jails' operating costs, e.g. correctional officers. The state's share of these costs on a per prisoner, per day basis varies from locality to locality. In fiscal year 1999, the estimated total state support for local jails per inmate, per day, averaged approximately \$30.54.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Jails, court system.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

11. **Other comments:** None.

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Secretary of Public Safety