

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB601

House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced	___	Substitute	___	Engrossed
Second House	___	In Committee	___	Substitute	___	Enrolled

2. Patron: Norment

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: **Alcoholic beverages; underage possession.**

5. Summary: Changes the penalty for possession of alcoholic beverages by a person under age 21 to a Class 2 misdemeanor (confinement in jail for not more than six months and a fine of not more than \$1000, either or both) from a Class 1 misdemeanor (confinement in jail for not more than 12 months and a fine of not more than \$2,500, either or both).

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See item 8.

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is uncertain how many underage possession charges or penalties exist today. This could result in individuals serving less time in jail due to the change from a Class 1 misdemeanor (not more than 12 months in jail) to a Class 2 misdemeanor (not more than six months in jail).

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Compensation Board, local jails and courts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: No.

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