

Department of Planning and Budget 2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2182

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

2. Patron: Bloxom

3. Committee: Senate Courts of Justice

4. Title: Prescription drug abuse policy

5. Summary:

The proposed legislation would require the Department of Criminal Justice Services to develop a model policy or guideline for law-enforcement personnel for identifying persons who abuse prescription drugs.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications:

By requiring the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to develop a model policy regarding prescription drug abuse, the proposed legislation would have an impact on the agency's workload. As part of its regular responsibilities, DCJS develops model public safety policies and training standards. Some model policies are more complex than others to develop and require considerable staff time. There are several bills being considered by the legislature that would direct the agency to develop specific new policies and training standards. With its current resources and staff, the agency feels that it can handle requirements to develop up to two new policies in any one year. If more than two of these of bills were enacted, depending on the complexity of the model policies involved, the agency could need additional resources to implement them in a timely manner. The cost of an additional position to handle such policy and standards development would be approximately \$82,000, including benefits.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Criminal Justice Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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