

Department of Planning and Budget

2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1068-S1

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

2. Patron: Deeds

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Defrauding certain entities; penalties.

5. Summary: The substitute for this bill makes using a ski lift without a lift ticket or ski pass a Class 1 misdemeanor.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Indeterminate, See Item 8

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Fiscal Impact Estimates Are Preliminary

8. Fiscal Implications: Anyone convicted of a Class 1 misdemeanor is subject to a sentence of up to 12 months in jail. There is not enough information available to reliably estimate how many additional inmates in jail could result from this proposal. Ultimately, the presiding judge will decide if there is to be any time served in jail; however, any increase in jail population will increase costs to the state. The Commonwealth presently pays the localities \$4.00 a day for each misdemeanant or otherwise local responsible prisoner held in a jail and \$12.00 a day for each state responsible inmate. It also funds a considerable portion 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. However, according to the Compensation Board's most recent Jail Cost Report (November 2016), the estimated total state support for local jails averaged \$32.82 per inmate, per day in FY 2015.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Local and regional jails and the Department of State Police

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None