

Department of Planning and Budget

2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB31

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

2. Patron: Webert

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Profane swearing in public.

5. Summary: This bill eliminates the crime of profanely swearing or cursing in public, which is currently punishable as a Class 4 misdemeanor.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See Item 8

8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, any person found guilty of profanely swearing or cursing in public is guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor and is subject to a fine of not more than \$250. Revenue from criminal fines is placed into the Literary Fund. The proposed legislation could result in a decrease in revenue for these funds, but there is not enough information available to project the amount of any decrease.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.