

Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB659

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: Hope

3. Committee: House Committee for Courts of Justice

4. Title: Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security and the Office of the Executive Secretary

5. Summary: The proposed legislation requires the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security to create and implement policies that recognize and make accommodations for people encountering the criminal justice system with developmental disabilities. The bill also requires the Office of the Executive Secretary to create and implement policies that recognize and make accommodations for people with developmental disabilities, for use by judges in determining case outcomes.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes, Item 391.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item 8 below).

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation requires the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security (Secretary) to create and implement policies for all agencies for which he is responsible that recognize and make accommodations for people encountering the criminal justice system with developmental disabilities. In order to accomplish this task, the Secretary anticipates that it would need to secure the services of multiple outside subject matter experts or contractors. The Secretary also reports that it will also need to conduct a study on best practices concerning individuals with a developmental disabilities diagnosis who are involved in the criminal justice system before implementation. Such a study is expected to have a fiscal impact of approximately \$25,000. Additionally, the Secretary reports that based on the agencies under the Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security who deal with the criminal justice system, it is anticipated that at least 13 separate policies may need to be developed based on the study. The estimated fiscal impact for developing such policies is approximately \$260,000. Accordingly, the estimated fiscal impact as a result of this legislation is one-time cost of \$285,000.

The Office of the Executive Secretary does not expect a fiscal impact as a result of the proposed legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security; Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services;

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: This bill is identical to SB716.