



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: Sub. S.B. 7 of the 130th G.A.

Date: April 1, 2013

Status: As Passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Sens. Widener and Beagle

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Reporting of court-ordered treatment to local law enforcement

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- The additional costs for local courts and law enforcement agencies to establish and maintain a means for complying with the bill's reporting requirements will be minimal at most.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill requires a court to report certain information to a municipal police department or county sheriff, as applicable, when it (1) orders mental health treatment for a person convicted of an offense of violence, or (2) orders conditional release of a person committed after being found incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity. The law enforcement agency is then required to enter the information into the National Crime Information Center Supervised Release File through the state's Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS).

The bill does not create any new criminal cases, nor does it alter the adjudication process for existing cases. To the degree that the bill creates any costs, it would be in terms of the time and effort necessary for the staff of certain local entities (courts of common pleas, municipal courts, county courts, municipal police departments, and county sheriffs) to comply with the reporting requirements. Based on conversations with members of Ohio's judicial and law enforcement communities, it seems highly likely that the additional costs for courts and law enforcement to establish and maintain a system for complying with the bill's reporting requirements will be minimal at most.