

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 57th Legislature

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| Bill No.: | HB 2777 |
| Version: | CS |
| Request Number: | 11263 |
| Author: | Rep. Ford |
| Date: | 2/17/2020 |
| Impact: | Creates misdemeanor, felony and associated fines and incarceration penalties. |

Research Analysis

Pending

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS on HB 2777 creates a misdemeanor for a first and second offense and a felony for three or more within a 60 day period. The misdemeanor has a fine not to exceed \$500 and the felony has a fine not to exceed \$5,000. These fines could increase revenue generated by the state, however this is dependent upon how many individuals are found guilty of the crime and the amount of the fine they are required to pay.

The felony charge established in the measure comes with a prison sentence of no more than 5 years. The average cost of incarceration for one individual in Department of Corrections' custody (DOC) based off of FY-19 actuals is \$60.11/day or \$21,940/year. The actual cost to DOC is dependent upon how many individuals are found guilty and the length of the sentenced imposed.

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Other Considerations

None.