## **Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Committee Substitute (CS)**

The CS for HB 1927 reduces the penalties associated with assaulting a medical care provider who is performing medical care duties from a felony to a misdemeanor and reduces the maximum term of imprisonment from two years to one year. Additionally, the measure increases the term of imprisonment for persons convicted of aggravated assault and battery upon a medical provider from a maximum of one year to a term of not more than two years imprisonment.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

FY'20 Impact: Possible costs to DOC

Full Year Impact: Possible costs to DOC

The CS for HB1927 lowers the charge for assault and battery upon medical care providers from a felony to a misdemeanor. It lowers the term of imprisonment from two years to 1 year. The measure amends the definition of "medical care provider" to include laboratory technicians, radiologic technologists, physical therapists, physician assistants, chaplains, and medical students. The measure increases the term of imprisonment for a person who commits aggravated assault and battery upon medical care providers from a term of not more than 1 year to a term of not more than 2 years imprisonment. The overall impact is dependent upon how many people are convicted of the crime and the length of their sentences.

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