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Senate Bill 631

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Full Year Impact:	Undeterminable

**Bill Summary and
Fiscal Analysis:**

SB 631 adds the crime of discharging a firearm at or into a dwelling or building used for public or business purposes to the list of 85% crimes. Per the Department of Corrections, there are currently 34 individuals convicted of this crime within the corrections system, the average historical sentence length has been 12.27 years, and the average time served has been 4.59 years. Under the provisions of this measure, the average time served would be estimated to increase by 5.83 years to 10.43 years. However, this does not consider how the measure could affect sentencing or plea agreements when all parties are aware that any individual convicted shall serve 85% of their sentence. It should also be noted that any cost increase to the state or the Department would not be anticipated until after the current average time served of 4.59 years has passed, and it would also be dependent on future convictions and sentence lengths.

Fiscal Impact provided by the Department of Corrections and Fiscal Staff