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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors: Rep. Sandridge

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Bill Topic: RELEASE ON BAIL VIOLATION OF A PROTECTION ORDER

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Revenue | <input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity |

This bill creates minimum monetary bond amounts for a person violating a protection order. Beginning in the current FY 2020-21, it may minimally impact state and local revenue and expenditures.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

In cases where a person is arrested for violation of a protection order, if the court chooses to set a monetary bond, this bill requires the court to set the amount at no less than:

- \$10,000 for the person's first arrest for violating a protection order; and
- \$25,000 for the person's second or subsequent arrest for violating a protection order.

The bill does not prohibit the court from determining the type of bond or non-monetary conditions of release to a person's bond.

State Revenue and Expenditures

This bill is expected to have a minimal impact on state revenue and expenditures. Since the bill does not require monetary bonds be set in cases where someone is arrested for violation of a protection order, trial court judges in the Judicial Department will continue to have discretion to issue the type of bond they deem appropriate. Any change in court revenue, which is subject to TABOR, is expected to be minimal. Any change in workload for the trial courts and agencies representing indigent persons requires no change in appropriations.

Local Government

Similar to the state, the bill is expected to have a minimal impact on county jails and district attorneys.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

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Judicial
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