

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 1567</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Introduced</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>6300</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Potential increase in fine revenues</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 1567 deems the violation of the Trafficking in Illegal Drugs Act with respect to 28 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing heroin aggravated trafficking. The measure also reduces the maximum fine, from \$500,000 to \$250,000, for violating the Trafficking in Illegal Drugs Act with respect to one gram or more of a mixture containing fentanyl or carfentanil. A violation of the Act with respect to five grams or more of a mixture containing fentanyl or carfentanil is deemed aggravated trafficking punishable by a fine of not less than \$250,000 and not more than \$500,000.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 1567, as introduced, modifies the definition of aggravated trafficking for certain controlled substances. The measure also establishes a two-tiered fine system for aggravated trafficking of fentanyl or carfentanil violations.

The measure reduces the maximum fine, from \$500,000 to \$250,000, for violations with respect to one gram or more of a mixture containing fentanyl or carfentanil. A violation with respect to five grams or more of a mixture containing fentanyl or carfentanil is deemed aggravated trafficking punishable by a fine of not less than \$250,000 and not more than \$500,000.

The state could realize more fine revenues in such instances where five grams or more of a prohibited substance were previously punished with a fine lower than \$250,000. An exact figure would depend on the number of such instances.

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**Other Considerations**

None.