



FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 168

Committee: Judiciary

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House Bill 168 as passed the House of Representatives provides for an individual to commence civil actions against a person who commits certain crimes related to the distribution, possession, or production of child sexual abuse material, including the award of certain punitive damages, court costs, and attorney fees.

In addition, this would increase the administrative obligations of each local board of education to develop and distribute policies regarding private images and child sexual abuse material.

Finally, this bill could increase receipts to the State General Fund and municipal general funds from fines; increase receipts to the State General Fund, county general funds, municipal general funds, and other funds to which court costs are deposited; and could increase the obligations of the State General Fund, local jails, the district attorneys, the Department of Corrections, the Bureau of Pardons and Paroles, and community corrections programs by an undetermined amount dependent upon the number of persons charged with and convicted of the offenses provided by this bill and the penalties imposed.