

PRISON/JAIL POPULATION COST ESTIMATE STATEMENT
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION
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SENATE BILL NO. 74

**AN ACT TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING MULTIPLE CONVICTIONS FOR
CERTAIN OFFENSES.**

A prison/jail population cost estimate statement is required for SB74, because it adds a type of simple or aggravated assault and a type of intentional contact with bodily fluids to a group of crimes for which a conviction is elevated to a Class 6 felony if it is the third or more conviction within the last ten years.

In the most recent year, there were 2,036 total convictions for the underlying crimes eligible for the enhanced penalty under current law. In a typical year, 138 of these would be convicted with the enhanced penalty.

In the most recent year, there were 185 total convictions for the underlying crimes eligible for the enhanced penalty under SB 74. As a result, LRC expects 13 additional individuals will qualify for the enhanced Class 6 felony penalty in a typical year, and 125 over ten years.

Class 6 violent felony offenders are usually held in medium security facilities at a cost of \$56.64 per day. The average length of time served for Class 6 violent felonies is 235 days.

The total estimated prison/jail impact cost is \$173,035 per year, and \$1,663,800 over ten years.

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