NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: Senate Bill 956 Threats Against Minor Children

SHORT TITLE: Threats Against Minor Children

SPONSOR(S): Senator Dalton

FISCAL IMPACT

Yes () No (X) No Estimate Available ()

FY 1999-00 FY 2000-01 FY 2001-02 FY 2002-03 FY 2003-04

EXPENDITURES

No Fiscal Impact

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Judicial Department; Department of Correction

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1999

BILL SUMMARY: TO MAKE IT A CLASS 2 MISDEMEANOR TO USE IN TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS WITH ANOTHER PERSON ANY WORDS OR LANGUAGE THREATENING THAT PERSON'S MINOR CHILD, AND TO MAKE IT A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR TO WILLFULLY THREATEN PHYSICAL INJURY TO THE MINOR CHILD OF ANOTHER. Amends GS 14-196(a) and 14-277.1(a) as title indicates.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

Judicial Department

The Administrative Office of the Courts does not believe that this legislation would have a substantial impact on the court system. They anticipate most of the additional threats covered by this bill are already covered under existing law. Thus, no fiscal impact is anticipated at this time.

Department of Correction

In addition, there would be no fiscal impact on the Department of Correction as a very minimal number of defendants in these cases receive active prison time.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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