

Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note

**STATE and LOCAL
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Lontine
 Sen. Merrifield

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BILL TOPIC: POLICIES ON JUVENILE SHACKLING IN COURT

Fiscal Impact Summary*	FY 2015-2016	FY 2016-2017
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal increase.	
FTE Position Change		
Appropriation Required: None.		

* This summary shows changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires each judicial district to develop and implement a policy regarding juvenile shackling by December 31, 2015. The bill specifies stakeholders to be included in drafting the policy and requires the state court administrator to report to the General Assembly on the policies developed in each district by January 31, 2016.

State Expenditures

The bill will increase workload in the Judicial Department for each judicial district to develop policies regarding juvenile shackling. Some judicial districts already have such policies in place. For judicial districts that do not currently have shackling policies, the impact for this work is expected to be minimal. Staff in the Judicial Department and the Office of the State Public Defender may also have workload to participate in the development of juvenile shackling policies in conjunction with the judicial districts. Compiling these policies and reporting to the General Assembly will also result in a minimal amount of workload for the Office of the State Court Administrator. Overall, no changes in appropriations are required.

Local Government Impact

The bill increases local government workload for district attorneys and law enforcement to participate in the development of juvenile shackling policies. This workload is assumed to be minimal.

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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