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This bill will probably result in more convictions for the crime of theft. Cost to the courts for additional hearings and trials would be \$14,600. More convictions at the felony level would result in additional and longer prison terms, which would add an estimated \$80,000 in costs to Corrections for the first year and \$130,000 in subsequent years.

	FY 00 Approp.	<u>FY 01 Approp.</u>	FY 00 Revenue	FY 01 Revenue
General Fund	\$94,600	\$144,600	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$94,600	\$144,600	\$0	\$0

Individual and Business Impact

Some thieves getting fines and probation in the past will now get 15 to 25 months prison time. Since many thiefs are professionals, the incarceration period should result in savings (non-thefts) to citizens of the state due to incapacitation of the professional or habitual thiefs.

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