The legislation expands the number of people who are restricted from possession of a weapon and expands the number who would qualify for charges. Computer changes required to access the Juvenile Court and other jurisdictions will require an additional technician in the Criminal Identification unit, Department of Public Safety (\$53,300). Increased requests for expungements of misdemeanor records will also require additional staff and processing. In the courts there will also be a one-time cost for programming (\$2,500) and approximately \$5,600 for additional trials and sentencing. If four additional offenders were sentenced as a felony each year the cost to corrections for prison (1 per year) and probation (3) the cost to Corrections would be \$29,200 for the first year and increase thereafter.

	<u>FY 01 Approp.</u>	FY 02 Approp.	FY 01 Revenue	FY 02 Revenue
General Fund	\$90,600	\$90,900	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$90,600	\$90,900	\$0	\$0

Individual and Business Impact

This bill will add to the number of individuals who want to expunge their records of misdemeanors. This will entail costs and time for those involved. Concurrently, the number of individuals of greatest potential risk for violence should diminish, saving citizens, in general, some of the financial impacts of such crimes.

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