



Fiscal Note

H.B. 424

2024 General Session
 Lewdness Involving a Child Amendments
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General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

| | Ongoing | One-time | Total |
|----------------------------|------------|----------|------------|
| Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.) | \$(69,600) | \$0 | \$(69,600) |

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

| Revenues | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 |
|------------------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$24,100 | \$24,100 |
| Court Security Account (GFR) | \$0 | \$500 | \$500 |
| Surcharge Fines | \$0 | \$4,200 | \$4,200 |
| Total Revenues | \$0 | \$28,800 | \$28,800 |

Enactment of this legislation could increase revenues for the Courts by a total of \$28,800 annually beginning in FY 2025 as a result of increased fines being paid as a result of this statute in addition to receiving a greater portion of currently paid fines due to an increased number of cases being tried in district courts. This revenue increase would be broken down as follows: \$24,100 in the General Fund, \$4,200 in the Courts Surcharge Fund which is then deposited into the General Fund, and \$500 into the Court Security Account.

| Expenditures | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 |
|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$93,700 | \$93,700 |
| Total Expenditures | \$0 | \$93,700 | \$93,700 |

Enactment of this legislation could cost the Courts \$68,300 ongoing General Fund beginning in FY 2025 for increased judge minutes due to the increased time to resolve a case as a result of enhanced criminal penalties. Of this amount, \$42,800 would go to district courts, and \$25,500 would go to juvenile courts. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the Department of Corrections \$25,400 ongoing General Fund beginning in FY 2025 due to increased probation times required from enhanced criminal penalties.

| | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 |
|----------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Net All Funds | \$0 | \$(64,900) | \$(64,900) |

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could decrease revenues for justice courts by up to \$18,000 annually due to the enhanced penalties being tried in district courts.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could lead to individuals convicted of lewdness involving a child to pay up to \$1,500 in court fines per conviction for total annual fine payments of up to \$13,500.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill does not create a new program or significantly expand an existing program.

Notes on Notes

Fiscal notes estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal note is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.