

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 231 (Companion to SB 437)

SHORT TITLE: Juv. Records/Sup. Ct. Sentencing

SPONSOR(S): Representative Hensley

FISCAL IMPACT:    Expenditures:    Increase ( )        Decrease ( )  
                          Revenues:            Increase ( )        Decrease ( )  
                          No Impact (X)  
                          No Estimate Available ( )

FUND AFFECTED:    General Fund ( )    Highway Fund ( )    Local Fund ( )  
                          Other Fund ( )

BILL SUMMARY:    Rewrites G.S. 7A-675(e) to provide that law-enforcement records and files concerning a juvenile shall be open to inspection to any judge determining the sentence of any person who has been convicted of the crime for which the sentencing is being determined, but only after the conviction.

House committee substitute (adopted 4/14/93) makes clarifying change.

EFFECTIVE DATE:    October 1, 1993; applicable to sentences imposed for offenses committed on or after that date.

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:    Judicial Department

FISCAL IMPACT

	<u>FY</u> 93-94	<u>FY</u> 94-95	<u>FY</u> 95-96	<u>FY</u> 96-97	<u>FY</u> 97-98
EXPENDITURES	0	0	0	0	0
NON-RECURRING					
REVENUES/RECEIPTS	0	0	0	0	0
RECURRING					
NON-RECURRING					

POSITIONS:    No new positions.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:    It is not anticipated that the proposed legislation would have a substantial fiscal impact on the Judicial Branch. It is noted by Jim Drennan, Director of the Administrative Office Of the Courts (AOC) that costs associated with providing the relevant records could be absorbed within budgeted funds.

While the AOC is not predicting a substantial fiscal impact on the Judicial Branch due to this individual bill, the AOC notes that "at some point, the cumulative additional workload from bills that

impact on the courts cannot simply be absorbed, and additional resources will be required."

**SOURCES OF DATA:** Administrative Office of the Courts

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** None

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