

EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 22, 2015

Agency Submitting: Nevada Department of Corrections

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Total	0	0	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The Department has reviewed BDR # 44-8 which regulates the operation of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and transfers responsibility for any damages caused by the vehicle to the operator, owner, or lessee of the drone. All crimes, torts, or other wrongs caused by the operation of a UAV flown in this state will be governed by the laws of Nevada. The new law will make it unlawful for a person to fly a UAV with the intention of capturing an image or video of another person or to disseminate the images without the person's consent. A second offense of unlawful capturing of an image or video of another person without consent will be a category E felony. In addition, flying a UAV with objects that can cause damage to a public area or to an individual, such as explosives or weapons, will be a category B felony and the crime will be punishable with a prison sentence of 1 to 6 years.

The effect of convicting an offender for a second offense will not be felt by the NDOC for some time. There are laws that currently regulate the use of firearms or other types of weapons; and one would expect that if the operator is caught, he or she would be charged for committing a crime against a person or property. However, it is possible that codifying into law such offenses will make it easier for these offenders to be prosecuted and sentenced to prison over the long run. At this time, there isn't sufficient data to produce a forecast.

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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