

**NON-EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: April 9, 2015

Agency Submitting: Legislative Counsel Bureau

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Personnel (Expense)		\$275,105	\$284,765	
Travel (Expense)		\$15,910	\$16,064	
Operating (Expense)		\$594	\$705	
Equipment (Expense)		\$3,720		
Information Services (Expense)		\$6,228		
Building Remodel (Expense)		\$45,835		
Total	0	\$347,392	\$301,534	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

Section 15 of this legislation would create an Office of the Ombudsman for Offenders in the Legislative Counsel Bureau. The estimates provided in this fiscal note are based on adding three new positions: an Ombudsman (Grade 43); an Investigator (Grade 41); and a clerical position (Grade 32). Because section 22 of the legislation provides that the Ombudsman is not required to conduct an investigation on any particular complaint, this fiscal note only includes the minimum number of new positions necessary to establish the office. We predict that this level of staffing would not be sufficient to investigate a large proportion of the complaints that would be received. Additional staffing would be required if the Office were expected to investigate a large proportion of complaints.

The projected costs above include a significant amount for travel because investigations would need to be conducted at prison facilities throughout the State. There would also be a need to construct office space in the Grant Sawyer Building in Las Vegas for at least two of the positions.

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