

# BDR 57-381

## AB 15

### EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

#### AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: January 29, 2017

Agency Submitting: Nevada Department of Corrections

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Fiscal Year 2017-18	Fiscal Year 2018-19	Effect on Future Biennia
Total	0	0	0	0

#### Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) has reviewed BDR 57-381 which makes changes to chapter 686A of the NRS by increasing the penalty for insurance fraud committed by means of a staged motor vehicle crash from a category D felony to a category B felony increasing the term of imprisonment in the state prison for not less than 1 year or no more than 4 years, to not less than 2 years to no more than 10 years.

Currently, there are 12 offenders who are serving prison sentences for violation of NRS 686A.291. However only one of them, who was admitted in 2015, was charged with intentionally staging a car accident to collect settlement payments from insurance companies. For this offender the minimum sentence was five months shorter than the proposed sentence (19 months versus 24 months). Given the small caseload pattern of offenders admitted to the prison system who meet the criteria for the increase in the penalty, the NDOC assumes that the impact on prison populations will be negligible. However, if the minimum sentence term was much longer, the fiscal impact would be felt at the annual rate of incarcerating an offender.

Based on current language of the proposed statute change, the NDOC is unable to forecast the increase, if any, in the number of offenders admitted to the NDOC system at this time. As a result, the fiscal impact of this proposed law cannot be quantified at this time.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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