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Expenditures/Revenues							
Note: Amounts do not include in	nflation unless o		below.			(Thousan	ds of Dollars)
		Included in					
	FY2026	Governor's					
	Appropriation	FY2026		Out-Year Cost Estimates			
	Requested	Request					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
None Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Positions							
Full-time	1						
Part-time							
Temporary							
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Change in Revenues							
None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (F	FY2025) cost:		0.0	(separate sup	plemental appr	opriation require	ed)
Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) cost:			0.0	(separate capital appropriation required)			
Does the bill create or modify (Supplemental/Capital/New Fun			No source(s) in and	alysis section)			
ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS Does the bill direct, or will the bi If yes, by what date are the regu	ill result in, regu	•		• .	No N/A		

Why this fiscal note differs	from previous vers	ion/comments:
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Not applicable; initial version.	

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill amends and enhances various provisions related to crimes against minors, particularly focusing on sexual abuse, homicide, assault, and related offenses. The bill proposes significant changes to existing laws to update age of a minor from 16 to 18 years of age. This bill allows individuals who were victims of sexual abuse as minors to pursue civil actions for damages against their abusers, thereby giving them a pathway for redress.

The bill redefines certain aspects of homicide and assault laws, increasing penalties for crimes involving children, especially in cases of murder where the victim is under the age of 18. It specifies circumstances under which a person can be charged with first and second-degree murder, particularly when the victim is a minor.

The bill includes modifications to stalking laws, reinforcing protections for minors. Additionally, the bill details various categories of sexual abuse against minors, clearly defining the age of consent and the responsibilities of adults in positions of authority.

The bill creates stricter penalties for indecent exposure, especially when committed in the presence of minors under 18 (currently 16) and criminalizes the distribution of explicit images involving persons under 18 (currently 16), ensuring that such offenses are treated with the utmost seriousness.

The bill also establishes stricter sentencing guidelines for crimes against children by updating age of a minor from 16 to 18 years of age, particularly those involving sexual offenses, ensuring that offenders face significant penalties that reflect the severity of their crimes.

The impact of these changes is anticipated to increase the daily inmate population; however, based on current offender population counts, this increase will not exceed the current available bed capacity within the prison system. Therefore, there is no immediate financial impact associated with these changes and a zero fiscal note is submitted.

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