

FISCAL NOTE

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

(cont.) specific to felony sex offenses will be needed. To meet this requirement, the department proposes to create a secure electronic form for reporting felony sex offense data as well as a separate database to collect, store and report the information. Law enforcement agencies would complete the form online and submit it electronically to DPS through a secure Internet connection. Reports would be assigned and identified by a unique identifier which would be used to track felony sex offenses. It is envisioned that the electronic form would interface with the database and auto-populate the data. As an alternative, hardcopy forms would be completed by law enforcement and manually entered into the database by DPS personnel.

The one-time costs associated with development of the form, electronic interface and database are estimated to be \$20,000.

The department anticipates these additional data collection and analysis efforts will require one new full-time Criminal Justice Specialist position. This position would be responsible to:

- * Train, functionally test, and affirm the proficiency of state and local law enforcement agency personnel responsible for reporting data regarding each type of felony sex offense reported within that agency's jurisdiction;
- * Provide continuing training and technical assistance to law enforcement agencies across the state as needed;
- * Review, audit and validate the data reported for agency adherence to prescribed reporting standards including completeness, timeliness and accuracy;
- * Enter hardcopy reports into the database;
- * Track, or assist in tracking, each type of felony sex offense reported;
- * Identify data reporting and collection issues and determine appropriate action;
- * Ensure law enforcement agency compliance with reporting requirements;
- * Compile and distribute statistical information and reports to authorized/interested parties;
- * Assist in the compilation of an annual report concerning the number, nature and outcomes of felony sex offenses reported in the state.