

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 1411 Proposed Committee Substitute

SHORT TITLE: Guilford/Outlaw Dog Fights

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Cocklereece and Wood

FISCAL IMPACT: **Expenditures:** Increase () Decrease ()
 Revenues: Increase () Decrease ()
 No Impact (X)
 No Estimate Available ()

FUNDS AFFECTED: General Fund () Highway Fund () Local Fund ()
 Other Fund ()

BILL SUMMARY: AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AN EXHIBITION FEATURING A DOG FIGHT. Provides that any person involved with an exhibition dog fight, including owning, possessing or training a dog, promoting a fight, and participating as a spectator, is guilty of a Class I felony. Requires lessors to evict lessees immediately after they become aware that the lessee intends to use the leased property for fighting or baiting of a dog.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1996, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Proposed Committee Substitute - June 14, 1996

Committee substitute changes penalty from Class I to Class H felony.

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Correction; Judicial Branch

FISCAL IMPACT

	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>FY</u>
	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01

TOTAL EXPENDITURES
RECURRING
NON-RECURRING

NO FISCAL IMPACT

POSITIONS: No new positions

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Judicial Branch

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) does not anticipate that this legislation would have a substantial impact on the Judicial Branch as there would not be any significant changes in how cases are processed or disposed.

The AOC believes that the very few additional cases which may result from this bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Department of Correction

Likewise, the proposed legislation would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Department of Correction, assuming that the courts would order active sentences in a very minimal number of cases.

SOURCES OF DATA: Department of Correction, Judicial Branch; North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

FISCAL RESEARCH DIVISION

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