sHB-7218
AN ACT CONCERNING THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS IN THE HOME AND FIREARM SAFETY PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

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Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill, which expands firearm safe storage laws to include all firearms (current law requires only loaded firearms) and premises where a minor under 18, instead of 16, might be able to gain access, results in a potential cost for incarceration or probation and potential revenue gain from fines. There is currently one person incarcerated for this crime and two people on probation. In FY 18 no fines were collected.

On average, the marginal cost to the state for incarcerating an offender for the year is $1,800\(^1\) while the average marginal cost for supervision in the community is less than $700\(^2\) each year.

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\(^1\) Inmate marginal cost is based on increased consumables (e.g. food, clothing, water, sewage, living supplies, etc.) This does not include a change in staffing costs or utility expenses because these would only be realized if a unit or facility opened.

\(^2\) Probation marginal cost is based on services provided by private providers and only includes costs that increase with each additional participant. This does not...
The bill, which requires the State Board of Education (SBE) to develop guidelines for firearm safety programs for public students in kindergarten through grade twelve, does not result in a fiscal impact as SBE has the staff and expertise necessary to do so.

**The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of violations.