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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Heaton DATE TYPED: 01/23/01 HB 53  
 SHORT TITLE: Crime of Aggravated Fleeing an Officer SB \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANALYST: Rael

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
		NFI			

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in The General Appropriation Act \_\_\_\_\_

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Administrative Office of the District Attorneys (AODA)  
 Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)  
 General Services Department (GSD)

#### Responses Not Received

Attorney General (AG)  
 Public Defender (PD)  
 Department of Public Safety (DPS)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

This bill creates a new fourth degree felony offense for persons who flee pursuing officers in a vehicle and creating a dangerous situation for other citizens as well as for the officer(s).

#### Significant Issues

The Administrative Office of the District Attorneys notes that there is currently no significant enforcement technique for those who flee officers unless someone is killed or seriously injured during the chase. Deterrence of this behavior is needed.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

No fiscal impact.

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

The bill currently states that the driving must be "in a manner that endangers the life of another person". The Administrative Office of the District Attorneys suggests the following change: "in a manner that may endanger the life of another person", to cover a situation such as late night chase where the presence of others may not necessarily be foreseeable.

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