

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS26149

The purpose of this legislation is to keep intact the felony charge available to those who deliberately assault medical personnel, while protecting from felony charges, those who are either in an active mental health crisis or are actively seeking mental health care.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no anticipated cost to the general fund or other state funds. There is a possible savings to the counties due to lower costs associated with incarcerating in jail, those who are currently being charged with felonies due to their mental health crisis.

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