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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 3291 Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author: Pope
Subject: Trespassing and the Posting of Notice of Trespassing
Requestor: Senate Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s): Gardner
Impact Date: April 5, 2022

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill creates a new method by which a landowner can provide sufficient posting notice to trespassers and removes the requirement that imprisonment for a conviction of unlawful trespass after notice include hard labor on the public works of the county.

The Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) anticipates this bill will have no impact on local expenditures as any additional hearings and filings can be managed within the normal course of business for local summary courts.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

N/A

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill creates a new method by which a landowner can provide sufficient posting notice to trespassers and removes the requirement that imprisonment for a conviction of unlawful trespass after notice include hard labor on the public works of the county.

Judicial reports there were 677 trespass filings in summary courts in FY 2020-21. This bill may increase the number of trespass filings in summary court. RFA anticipates that any increase to the summary court docket can be managed within existing appropriations, and therefore, will have no local expenditure impact.

Local Revenue

N/A

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