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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7691

BILL NUMBER: HB 1629

DATE PREPARED: Jan 8, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Imprisonment for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires a court to order a person who has been convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated to be imprisoned for a certain minimum number of days based on: (1) the type of offense the person committed; and (2) the number of previous convictions for operating a vehicle while intoxicated that the person has accumulated. It also repeals the current provision concerning mandatory imprisonment for operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill may increase DOC state facility expenditures for persons convicted for longer periods of time under felony provisions involving intoxication. The average expenditure to house an adult offender was \$20,500 in FY 97. Individual facility expenditures range from \$11,000 to \$27,000. (This does not include the cost of new construction.) If offenders can be housed in existing facilities with no additional staff, the average cost for medical care, food, and clothing is approximately \$1,825 annually or \$5 daily per prisoner.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill may increase county jail expenditures for persons convicted for longer periods of time under misdemeanor provisions involving intoxication. The average daily cost to incarcerate a prisoner in a county jail is about \$44.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Correction.

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts.

Information Sources: Department of Correction; Indiana Sheriffs Association.