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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6342
BILL NUMBER: SB 106

DATE PREPARED: Nov 15, 1998
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Six member jury for a Class C felony.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a six person jury must be used in a criminal trial for a Class C felony unless the defendant and prosecuting attorney agree to a number of jurors that is more than six and less than 13.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill will decrease local expenditures for juror per diem, food, lodging, and mileage by an indeterminable amount. There were 14,977 new criminal felony filings in CY 1997 (this figure includes A, B, and C felonies because no separate breakdown is available). There were 1,016 A, B, and C felony cases disposed of by jury trial in CY 1997. In CY 1997, courts statewide spent approximately \$2.8 million on juror per diem, and another \$434,109 for lodging and meals for jurors to try A, B, C and D felonies.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts.

Information Sources: 1997 Indiana Judicial Report, Vols. I & III.