

Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

Bill informat	tion:				
HB0614 - Ge	nerally revise youth court la	aws (Mercer, Bill)			
Status:	As Amended in Senate Committee				
☐Significant Local Gov Impact		□Needs to be included in	n HB 2 □Tec	☐Technical Concerns	
☐ Included in the Executive Budget		☐Significant Long-Term	Impacts	☐Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	
Expenditure General Fu		FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 <u>Difference</u> unk	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference
Revenue: General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact	-General Fund Balanc	e:			

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 614 increases the numbers and types of offenses in 41-5-206, MCA, which a youth can be charged and convicted as an adult. Section 41-5-208, MCA, is also amended in HB 614 by allowing a transfer of a youth from juvenile probation to adult probation through a stipulation instead of a hearing. The Department of Corrections (DoC) is unable to quantify the potential fiscal impact of this bill. The Office of Public Defender believes this bill will increase the number of children charged in district court by expanding prosecutors' discretion to charge juvenile defendants with adult felonies.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date