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sHB-6338 AN ACT PERMITTING REMOVAL OF AN UNAUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL FROM REAL PROPERTY.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Judicial Dept. (Probation)	GF - Potential	Minimal	Minimal
	Cost		
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential	Minimal	Minimal
	Revenue Gain		

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential	Minimal	Minimal
	Savings		

Explanation

The bill, which creates a process for removal of unauthorized persons from real property, results in (1) a potential cost to the Judicial Department for probation, (2) a potential revenue gain to the General Fund from fines, and (3) a potential savings to various municipalities related to a possible decrease in evictions.

The bill expands what may be considered a false statement and criminal trespass in the second degree. This results in a potential cost to the Judicial Department for probation and a potential revenue gain to

Primary Analyst: BP Contributing Analyst(s): LG Reviewer: PR the General Fund from fines.¹ On average, the marginal cost for supervision in the community is less than \$600² each year for adults. It is anticipated that few, if any, additional individuals will be charged under this bill.

To the extent the bill results in fewer evictions, there may be a potential savings to municipalities associated with storing fewer possessions of evicted tenants, beginning in FY 26.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject (1) to the actual number of offenses associated with this bill and (2) to the number of evictions and property municipalities must store as a result.

¹ In FY 23 and FY 24, a total of \$1,500 was collected under CGS 53a-157b (false statements). In FY 23 and FY 24, a total of \$1,735 was collected under CGS 53a-108 (criminal trespasses).

² Probation marginal cost is based on services provided by private providers and only includes costs that increase with each additional participant. This does not include a cost for additional supervision by a probation officer unless a new offense is anticipated to result in enough additional offenders to require additional probation officers.