SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4156 Relating to stalking

To: Ways and Means Full Committee From: Capital Construction Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Mannix

The measure modifies the crime of stalking and the crime of violating a court's stalking protective order. Under current law, these crimes are Class A misdemeanor's that increase to a Class C felony under certain circumstances. The measure expands the circumstances under which these crimes can be elevated to a felony charge and increases the penalty from a Class C to a Class B felony. The proposed -A3 amendment returns the crime back to a Class C felony.

The fiscal impact of the measure is minimal in the 2023-25 and 2025-27 biennium for all impacted entities, however, the cost to the Department of Corrections increases to approximately \$1 million General Fund in future biennia. The Office of Economic Analysis corrections population forecast will be used to make any necessary future budget modifications for the Department.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4156 be amended by the –A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.