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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7192**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1510

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 17, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 10, 2003

**SUBJECT:** Breastfeeding in Public.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Welch

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Simpson

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed - House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  GENERAL  
 DEDICATED  
 FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) The bill has the following provisions:

(A) It provides that a woman may breastfeed her child anywhere the woman has the right to be.

(B) It provides that breastfeeding a child is a defense for a woman charged with public indecency.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** There are no data available to indicate how many people are charged with public indecency for breastfeeding in public. Public indecency is a Class A misdemeanor, or, under certain situations, a Class D felony.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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