



Other counties may be considering doing their own analyses rather than using the SBI lab. In this event, restitution payments would no longer be received from those counties and there would be a decline in revenues received by the SBI. This revenue effect could happen regardless of the passage of SB 704. What SB 704 does is allow the judges authority to order the restitution payments to local authorities instead. This change may encourage more counties to consider doing their own analyses in which case the negative revenue effect would be greater.

In summary, SB 704 does not have a direct revenue or expenditure effect on the General Fund. Under current arrangements, it would have a positive revenue effect on Mecklenberg County. It may encourage more counties to do analyses of controlled substances which would have a negative effect on SBI revenues.

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** None

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