

Senate Bill No. 57

CHAPTER 776

An act to add Section 3010.10 to the Penal Code, relating to electronic monitoring.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 57, Lieu. Electronic monitoring: removing or disabling GPS device: offense.

Existing law, as amended by Proposition 83, adopted at the November 7, 2006, statewide general election, requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to monitor sex offenders using a global positioning system (GPS). With regard to all other offenders, existing law permits the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to use electronic or GPS monitoring to electronically monitor the whereabouts of individuals on parole. Under existing law, a parolee who fails to comply with the rules or conditions for the use of electronic monitoring as a supervision tool may be found guilty of violating the terms of his or her parole.

This bill would prohibit a person who is required to register as a sex offender and who is subject to parole supervision from removing, as specified, an electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device affixed as a condition of parole. Upon a violation of the provision, the bill would require the parole authority to revoke the person's parole and impose a mandatory, 180-day period of incarceration.

Proposition 83 provides that any amendment of its provisions by the Legislature requires a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the membership of each house unless the amendments expand the scope of its application or increase the punishments or penalties provided, in which case the Legislature may amend its provisions by a statute passed by a majority vote of each house.

Because this bill increases the punishments or penalties provided in Proposition 83, this bill would require a majority vote.

By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3010.10 is added to the Penal Code, to read:

3010.10. (a) A person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Section 290 shall not remove or disable, or permit another to remove or disable, an electronic, global positioning system (GPS), or other monitoring device affixed to his or her person as a condition of parole, when he or she knows that the device was affixed as a condition of parole.

(b) (1) This section shall not apply if the removal or disabling of an electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device is performed by a physician, emergency medical services technician, or by any other emergency response or medical personnel when doing so is necessary during the course of medical treatment of the person subject to the electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device.

(2) This section shall not apply if the removal or disabling of the electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device is authorized or required by a court, or by the law enforcement, probation, parole authority, or other entity responsible for placing the electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device upon the person, or that has, at the time, the authority and responsibility to monitor the electronic, GPS, or other monitoring device.

(c) Upon a violation of this section, the parole authority shall revoke the person's parole and require that he or she be incarcerated in the county jail for a period of 180 days.

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.