SB 1668 – Drug Paraphernalia (Identical HB 6101)

This bill amends s. 893.145, F.S., deleting the following language from the definition of drug paraphernalia: "testing equipment used, intended for use, or designed for use in identifying, or in analyzing the strength, effectiveness, or purity of, controlled substances." This would impact the current misdemeanors and felonies for "use, possession, manufacture, delivery, transportation, advertisement, or retail sale of drug paraphernalia, specified machines, and materials" under s. 893.147, F.S.

Per DOC, in FY 18-19, there were 4 new commitments to prison for offenses committed under s. 893.147, F.S. In FY 19-20, there was one new commitment, and in FY 20-21, there was one new commitment. It is not known which, if any, of these offenses involved testing equipment.

CONFERENCE ADOPTED ESTIMATE: Negative Insignificant

Requested by: Senate