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House Bill 4457

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Senate Committee: Judiciary

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SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4457 as passed by the House:

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to specify that the Code's prohibition against solicitation of a person under 17 years of age by a person 17 years old or older to commit or attempt to commit a controlled substance felony would apply regardless of whether the older person knew that the minor was less than 17 years old.

The bill would take effect on August 1, 1995.

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FISCAL IMPACT

There are currently no data available that would indicate whether the knowledge of the minor's age has ever been used as a defense for solicitation of a minor to commit a controlled substance violation. The State could incur additional costs if a person who had previously used the lack of knowledge of the minor's age as a defense, and was therefore not charged, would now be convicted due to the bill's provisions.

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