

Department of Planning and Budget 2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB312ER

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron: L. Puller

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; PERK reimbursements.

5. Summary: Allows the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund ("The Fund") to directly reimburse a health care provider for the costs of performing the physical evidence recovery kit (PERK) examinations used in cases of sexual assault.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final (see Item 8)

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: Consistent with this legislation, the Governor's introduced budget includes language directing the courts to transfer funds from the Criminal Fund to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund, administered by the Workers Compensation Commission (WCC), for the administration of the PERK program. This will allow the WCC to seek reimbursement from the Federal Government for a portion of the costs of the PERK program.

Circuit Courts –	up to \$880,000
General District Courts –	up to \$40,000
Juvenile/Domestic Relations –	up to \$870,000
Combined District Courts -	<u>up to \$95,000</u>
TOTAL	up to \$1,885,000

For next biennium, this action is expected to be expenditure neutral. In future biennia, this action could result in potential cost reductions to the general fund.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts, Workers Compensation Commission

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: Similar to HB956

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