

Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1199

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

2. Patron: Minchew

3. Committee: Committee Referral Pending

4. Title: Procedures for notifying accused of certificate of analysis; witness fees.

5. Summary: The proposed legislation provides that an accused who, in a case where a certificate of analysis is to be introduced into evidence, demands the presence of or calls as a witness a person involved in the chain of custody of the material subject to the certificate of analysis shall be charged \$50 as court costs if the accused is found guilty of the charge for which such witness was summoned.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Tentative. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposal would have no material fiscal impact on the Department of Forensic Services and courts.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Forensic Services and courts.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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