## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

| 1. | Bill Number:    | HB278ER |              |            |             |           |  |
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|    | House of Origin | ı 🗌     | Introduced   | Substitute |             | Engrossed |  |
|    | Second House    |         | In Committee | Substitute | $\boxtimes$ | Enrolled  |  |
| 2. | Patron: (       | Collins |              |            |             |           |  |

- **3.** Committee: Passed Both Houses
- **4. Title:** Adjustments to compensation of guardian ad litem appointed to represent a child
- **5. Summary:** Provides that a court may adjust the costs of a guardian ad litem's services for good cause shown or upon the failure of the guardian ad litem to substantially comply with the standards adopted for attorneys appointed as guardians ad litem.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final (see Item 8)
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court (OES), the proposed bill is expected to have a minimal impact on agency operations. The fiscal impact on the Criminal Fund cannot be determined at this time.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No
- **11. Other Comments:** None