

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB2605

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2. Patron Howell

3. Committee H. Courts of Justice

4. Title Court-appointed interpreter fees.

5. Summary/Purpose:

Provides that the compensation of an interpreter appointed by the court for a non-English-speaking criminal defendant may be assessed as part of the costs.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are: Tentative, see #8 below.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No.

8. Fiscal implications:

According to the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court, the proposed legislation would not impact the required criminal fund allocation amount. The courts would continue to submit invoices for these interpreter services to be paid from the criminal fund.

The proposed legislation might increase, however, the general fund revenue collected by the courts. The possible increase in general fund revenue cannot be determined at this time.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: The court system.

10. Technical amendment necessary: No.

11. Other comments: None.

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