Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB948
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: Bell, Robert B.
3.	Committee: Courts of Justice
4.	Title: Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund; crimes included.
5.	Summary: Expands the category of crime victims entitled to receive compensation from the fund to include injured victims of felony vehicular hit and run. Under current law, injuries resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle are not covered unless they were intentionally inflicted or resulted from a violation of DUI or DUI maiming.
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate
8.	Fiscal Implications: The Workers' Compensation Commission reports that the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund (CICF)'s cost estimate ranges from \$300,000 to \$500,000 annually for this legislation, which can be absorbed by the CICF. This estimate is based on the experience of 45 other states that pay "Hit and Run," which is ranges from one percent to five percent of total payout. This may be less because the CICF will require victims to access their uninsured motorist portion of their auto insurance policy prior to payment. CICF is the payer of last resort per state Code.
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Workers' Compensation Commission, Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund
10.	. Technical Amendment Necessary: no
11.	. Other Comments: n/a
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