

Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB394

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

2. Patron: Sullivan

3. Committee: Appropriations

4. Title: Claims; Emerson Eugene Stevens; compensation for wrongful incarceration.

5. Summary: Provides relief in the amount of \$1,784,390.40 to Emerson Eugene Stevens, who was wrongly convicted of murder.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: See item 8.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2023	\$1,784,390.40	0	GF
2024	\$0	0	
2025	\$0	0	
2026	\$0	0	
2027	\$0	0	
2028	\$0	0	
2029	\$0	0	

8. Fiscal Implications: The language of the proposed bill appropriates \$1,784,390.40 from the general fund to be paid by the State Treasurer for the relief of Mr. Emerson Eugene Stevens. Item 277 of HB30, as introduced, appropriates \$2,502,900 for the relief of Mr. Stevens. The amount proposed in the budget bill was calculated assuming proposed legislation altering the formula for determining relief for wrongful incarceration is enacted into law. Should that legislation fail, the budget bill would need to be amended to conform the appropriated amount to this legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of the Treasury

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: HB 397 would alter the formula for determining relief for wrongful incarceration