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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 495** HLS 16RS 1018

Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| <b>Subject:</b> Pardon Investigations Fee |                                   |

Establishes a fee for conducting pardon investigations

Present law provides that the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections shall provide to the Board of Pardons background information on pardon applicants. Proposed law retains present law and provides that DPS&C may charge a fee up to \$150.00 for conducting these investigations.

| <b>EXPENDITURES</b> | <b>2016-17</b> | <b>2017-18</b> | <b>2018-19</b> | <b>2019-20</b> | <b>2020-21</b> | <b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b> |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| State Gen. Fd.      | SEE BELOW      | SEE BELOW      | SEE BELOW      | SEE BELOW      | SEE BELOW      |                      |
| Agy. Self-Gen.      | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Ded./Other          | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Federal Funds       | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Local Funds         | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <b><u>\$0</u></b>    |
| <b>Annual Total</b> |                |                |                |                |                |                      |
| <b>REVENUES</b>     | <b>2016-17</b> | <b>2017-18</b> | <b>2018-19</b> | <b>2019-20</b> | <b>2020-21</b> | <b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b> |
| State Gen. Fd.      | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Agy. Self-Gen.      | INCREASE       | INCREASE       | INCREASE       | INCREASE       | INCREASE       |                      |
| Ded./Other          | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Federal Funds       | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | \$0            | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Local Funds         | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <u>\$0</u>     | <b><u>\$0</u></b>    |
| <b>Annual Total</b> |                |                |                |                |                |                      |

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Implementation of this bill will not reduce SGF expenditures. However, it does provide for a revenue source to cover the investigative costs associated with background information on pardon applicants.

Note: Below are the current and prior years totals for clemency investigations completed.  
 FY 16 is 196 (Year-To Date)  
 FY 15 was 122  
 FY 14 was 139  
 FY 13 was 106

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

This legislation may result in an indeterminable increase in Fees & Self-generated Revenues as it establishes a maximum fee of \$150 to conduct clemency investigations.

For illustrative purposes, assuming the number of investigations completed in FY 17 is 141 (the average of the past 3 years and applications to date in the current year), the maximum revenue generated is \$21,150 (141 x \$150 maximum fee). To the extent Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Corrections Services may assess or charge a fee in an amount less than \$150, revenues would decrease accordingly.

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| <u>Senate</u>   | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u>   | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}                    |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |              |

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