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**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits a court from requiring an individual to pay any outstanding court-assessed fines, fees, taxes, or costs arising from a criminal proceeding during the 180-day period following the individual's release from a term of imprisonment for a felony offense. Exempts restitution owed to a victim.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Other Fiscal Impact – A decrease in state and local revenue by an unknown amount in FY23-24. Such decrease will equal approximately 50 percent of the total amount that, under current law, would be collected by state and local courts in FY23-24 from fines, fees, taxes, and costs arising from criminal proceedings that are paid by felons following their release from prison.**

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation does not alter or delete any existing provision that mandates a particular fine, fee, tax, or cost arising from a criminal proceeding, nor does it create any such provisions.
- The proposed legislation does not forgive any outstanding court-assessed fines, fees, taxes, or costs arising from criminal proceedings, nor does it increase or decrease the existing rates thereof.
- It is assumed the proposed legislation will simply shift the total amount collected by state and local courts each year deriving from fines, fees, taxes, and costs arising from criminal proceedings that are paid by felons following their release from prison forward in time by a period of 180 days, or roughly one half of one fiscal year.
- No reliable data exists on the total amount of such revenue received by state and local courts each year.
- Therefore, the proposed legislation is estimated to result in a decrease in state and local revenue by an unknown amount in FY23-24. However, such amount will equal approximately 50 percent (one half of one fiscal year) of the total amount of applicable revenue that would have been collected by state and local courts in FY23-24 in the absence of this legislation. The total amount of such revenue collected by state and local courts in subsequent fiscal years is assumed to remain consistent with the total currently being collected.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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