HB-7401
AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF VICTIM SERVICES.
As Amended by House "A" (LCO 9545)
House Calendar No.: 443

**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

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Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

The bill creates a new misdemeanor, making it a class A when a state or municipal employee transmits images of a deceased person and results in a potential cost for incarceration or probation supervision and a potential revenue gain from fines. On average, the marginal cost to the state for incarcerating an offender for the year is $1,800\(^1\) while the average marginal cost for supervision in the community is less than $700\(^2\) each year.

House “A” strikes the language of the underlying bill, replacing it

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\(^1\) Inmate marginal cost is based on increased consumables (e.g. food, clothing, water, sewage, living supplies, etc.) This does not include a change in staffing costs or utility expenses because these would only be realized if a unit or facility opened.

\(^2\) Probation marginal cost is based on services provided by private providers and only includes costs that increase with each additional participant. This does not include a cost for additional supervision by a probation officer unless a new offense is anticipated to result in enough additional offenders to require additional probation officers.

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with language that results in the fiscal impact described above.

**The Out Years**

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.