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AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF VICTIM SERVICES.
AMENDMENT

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The amendment 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 $1,800¹ while the average marginal cost for supervision in the community is less than $700² each year.

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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