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AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 22 \$	FY 23 \$
Attorney General	GF - Cost	163,800	169,533
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	67,649	70,017
Resources of the General Fund	GF - See Below	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The amendment is anticipated to result in costs to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) of \$163,800 in FY 22 and \$169,533 in FY 23, and \$67,649 and \$70,017 respectively, for fringe benefits, associated with hiring an additional Assistant Attorney General and Paralegal to review and litigate the additional 200 - 300 new cases annually that fall under the bill's provisions. There are currently between 5,000 and 6,000 bond forfeitures annually, with 200-300 of cases litigated. In FY 19, the Chief State's Attorney Office (CSAO) collected on 350 forfeited bonds in the amount of \$1,110,975; in FY 18, CSAO collected on 322 forfeited bonds

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 41.3% of payroll in FY 22 and FY 23.

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in the amount of \$1,307,925.

The amendment allows the Attorney General to bring a civil action to recover certain penalties or fines, resulting in a potential revenue gain to the state.

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