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SB-1134

AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECRUITMENT OF LAW SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR APPRENTICE PROSECUTOR POSITIONS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Criminal Justice, Div.	GF - Cost	420,368	430,877
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	180,001	184,501

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill allows the Division of Criminal Justice to employ law students as apprentice prosecutors until such students pass the bar, for up to one year. The annualized cost of hiring one apprentice prosecutor is roughly \$120,000, however the division anticipates that they will hire five apprentice prosecutors which would be an estimated cost of \$600,000 in FY 24 and \$615,000 in FY 25 for wages and fringe costs.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and the actual number of apprentice prosecutors the division chooses to employ.

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 42.82% of payroll in FY 24.