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Bill Number: H. 5113 Introduced on February 15, 2024
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Subject: Joint Custody
Requestor: House Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s): Boggs
Impact Date: March 18, 2024

Fiscal Impact Summary

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Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

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