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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT

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Bill Number:	H. 3048	Introduced on January 14, 2025
Subject:	Coroner Qualifications	
Requestor:	House Judiciary	
RFA Analyst(s):	Welsh	
Impact Date:	January 30, 2025	

Fiscal Impact Summary

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Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Revenue

N/A

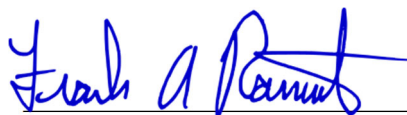
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