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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 3055 Amended by the House of Representatives on March 28, 2017
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Subject: Stop the School House to Jail House Pipeline
Requestor: Senate Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s): Gable and Gardner
Impact Date: April 25, 2017

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	\$0
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Amended by the House of Representatives on March 28, 2017

State Expenditure

This bill creates the Restorative Justice Study Committee. The study committee will review the juvenile justice laws of the state and make recommendations concerning proposed changes to facilitate and encourage diversion of juveniles from the juvenile justice system to restorative justice practices. Also the committee will make recommendations concerning the creation of a pilot restorative justice program. The restorative justice program must require the circuit solicitor, prior to filing charges, to assess if the juvenile is suitable for participating in the program and, after consulting with the victim, offer the juvenile pre-filing diversion to a program using restorative justice practices. If the juvenile accepts, the solicitor will not file the petition and for a fee the juvenile will be enrolled in the program. If the juvenile completes the program, without being charged with new offenses while in the program, the solicitor will not file a petition for the alleged charges against the juvenile. The committee will make a report to the General Assembly by March 1, 2018, at which time the committee will dissolve.

Senate and House of Representatives. This ten member study committee will consist of five members from the Senate, appointed by the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and five members from the House of Representatives, appointed by the Chairman of the House

Judiciary. Each member will receive per diem of \$35, subsistence of \$195.53, and mileage for each meeting on non-session days. These expenses will be managed within the budgets of the appointees' respective legislative bodies. Additionally, the staffing for this committee will be provided by the Chairmen of the Senate and House of Representatives Judiciary Committees and will be managed with existing staff and within existing appropriations. Therefore, the bill does not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds for the Senate or the House of Representatives.

Commission on Prosecution Coordination. This bill requires the study committee to provide recommendations concerning the creation of a pilot restorative justice program. The bill specifies some minimum requirements for the program including actions that must be taken by circuit solicitors but does not establish the program itself. Because the bill only creates a study committee, not the restorative justice program, there is no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds for the Commission on Prosecution Coordination.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A



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