Fiscal Analysis HEALTH TESTING COSTS ORDERED BY THE COURT



Bill/Sponsor HOUSE BILL 4172 SUBSTITUTE H-1, Rep. Tom Meyer

House Committee Health Policy

Analysis Summary

House Bill 4172 (H-1) as reported by the House Committee amends Part 51 of the Public Health Code, the General Provisions of Article 5 Prevention and Control of Diseases and Disabilities, to provide that certain individuals may be ordered by the court to pay the costs of testing or examination by a licensed physician or local health department that were ordered under Section 5129, for sexually transmitted disease, Hepatitis B or C infection, AIDS, HIV, or an antibody to HIV. If the costs are not paid within 30 days or within the period otherwise ordered by the court, the individual is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by not more than 90 days imprisonment or a fine of not more than \$100, or both.

Fiscal Impact

The bill has local government fiscal implications. The bill may provide some savings for testing and examination costs that are currently being absorbed by local public health departments.

Any additional imprisonment costs for individuals as a result of the bill will be an increase in costs to local correctional systems, which vary on a per diem basis from county to county.

Additional revenue from fines from individuals as a result of the bill will be revenue to local libraries in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Michigan, Article VIII, Section 9.

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