

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 144

Committee: Judiciary Analyst: Peter Grogan Sponsor: Representative Jim Hill Date: 04/18/2023

House Bill 144 as passed the House of Representatives establishes a certification and testing process for foreign language interpreters administered by the Administrative Office of Courts (AOC). According to AOC, the one-time cost for testing is \$940; the one-time certification fee for a Spanish exam is \$385 (\$350 for oral exam and \$35 for written exam) and other languages oral exam is \$690. AOC estimates this bill would increase receipts to the State Judicial Administration Fund by an estimated \$2,100 annually, based on projected number of interpreters to be certified.