



## FISCAL NOTE

### House Bill 244

Committee: Finance and Taxation General Fund      Sponsor: Representative Danny Crawford  
Analyst: Peter Grogan      Date: 05/10/2023

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**House Bill 244** as reported by the Committee on Finance and Taxation General Fund could increase the obligations of the Office of Indigent Defense Services (OIDS), paid from the Fair Trial Tax Fund and funded by the State General Fund, by an undetermined amount by increasing the cap on attorney fees for guardians ad litem in juvenile dependency cases from \$2,500, under current law, to a maximum of \$5,000, as provided by this bill. According to OIDS, 366 claims exceeded the current cap in Fiscal Year 2022.