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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2012-13		FY 2013-14	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	(380,000)	(380,000)	(380,000)	(380,000)
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	(380,000)	(380,000)	(380,000)	(380,000)

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill would change the disposition of indigent defense court fees.

The indigent defense fee of three dollars is currently deposited into the Commission on Public Advocacy Operations Cash Fund. This bill would remit such fee that is collected in any county containing a city of the metropolitan class to the county treasurer of such county for credit to the indigent defense services fund for such county. The remaining portion of the fee is credited to the Commission on Public Advocacy Operations Cash Fund.

The Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) has been in contact with the Commission on Public Advocacy. The Commission states that this bill will reduce their funds by approximately \$380,000, or about 35%. Because the Commission is operated entirely by cash fund revenues from the indigent defense fee, a reduction in their revenues would necessitate a reduction in their expenditures. The Commission's FY11-12 operating budget (Program 425) is \$1,084,764.

IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: A county containing a city of the metropolitan class could see a revenue increase under this bill. Based on information from the Commission on Public Advocacy, this revenue increase could be \$380,000 per year.