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sHB-5400

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESERVATION OF STONE WALLS
IN THE STATE.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Judicial Dept. (Probation)	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill creates a new class D misdemeanor for stealing stone(s) from a stonewall or dismantling a stone wall without written consent which results in a potential cost to the Judicial Department and a potential revenue gain from fines. On average, the cost for supervision in the community is less than \$800¹ each year.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of offenses.

¹ Probation marginal cost is based on services provided by private providers and only includes costs that increase with each additional participant. This does not include a cost for additional supervision by a probation officer unless a new offense is anticipated to result in enough additional offenders to require additional probation officers.