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AN ACT CONCERNING THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK FEES FOR AN INDIGENT PERSON SEEKING A PARDON.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Revenue Loss	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Municipal Police Departments	Potential Revenue Loss	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill waives certain fees associated with pardon applications from indigent persons, resulting in a potential cost and revenue loss to the state and municipalities in FY 24 and FY25, depending on the number of waivers granted.

The bill requires the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to reimburse independent contractors and allows them to reimburse municipalities, resulting in a potential cost to the extent that fee waivers are granted and reimbursements are issued.

Under current law, DESPP may waive the \$75 fee for a criminal

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history records check for indigent individuals. Under this bill, DESPP is required to waive any other fees associated with criminal records checks, presenting a potential revenue loss depending on the number of waivers granted.

If DESPP does not reimburse a municipality for a waived fee, such municipalities may face a potential revenue loss.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of fee waivers granted and reimbursements issued.