Senate

General Assembly

File No. 780

January Session, 2025

Senate Bill No. 1549

Senate, April 28, 2025

The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. WINFIELD of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAWS OF THIS STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) There is established a working group to study the laws of criminal procedure of this state. Such study shall include, at a minimum, a review of title 54 of the general statutes for the purpose of recommending legislative changes to said title. The working group shall consist of the following members who have expertise in laws of criminal procedure: (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (2) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (3) one appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (4) one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (5) one appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives; and (6) one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate. The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary shall serve as the administrative staff for the working group. Not later

than January 1, 2026, the working group shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2026, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	*from passage*	New section

JUD *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill creates a working group to study criminal procedure laws resulting in no fiscal impact to the state because the working group has the expertise needed to meet the requirements of the bill.

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Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable
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