BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 55th Legislature

Bill No.: SB790 Version: CS

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Impact: Annual Revenue Decrease: District

Courts - \$1,606,179

Research Analysis

The committee substitute for SB790 requires \$25 of the bond fee collected by a court clerk to be remitted to the Sheriff's Jail Fund for every defendant booked into jail. Currently, the entirety of the bond fee remains with the court and \$25 is transferred to the Sheriff's Jail Fund only if the defendant is sentenced to jail.

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Fiscal Analysis

According to officials with the Courts, "currently, the \$25 bond fee is only remitted to the Sheriff's Jail Fund when a defendant is sentenced to the county jail. For defendants not sentenced to county jail, the bond fee is deposited into the court fund.

SB790 would require the bond fee to be remitted to the Sheriff's Jail Fund, regardless of whether the defendant is sentenced to the county jail. This would result in a loss to the district courts of approximately \$1,606,179 annually."

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Other Considerations

None.

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