

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 1544
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Impact:	\$0 to the State

Research Analysis

HB1544, as introduced, allows statements made by persons 70 years of age or older to be admissible in a criminal proceeding if the statements describe an act of physical abuse against the person or any act of sexual contact performed with or on the person by another. A court must render the statements inherent trustworthy and may determine trustworthiness by considering the spontaneity and consistent repetition of the statement, the mental state of the declarant, whether the terminology used is unexpected of a person of similar age and whether a lack of motive to fabricate exists.

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Fiscal Analysis

The introduced version of HB 1544 has no fiscal impact to the state.

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Other Considerations

None.