Oklahoma State Senate

Bill Summary and Fiscal Impact

Agency: DOC, DAC, & OIDS

Bill Number: HB 1306

Senate Author: Leewright

House Author: Murdock

FY '18 Impact: In Progress

Full Year Impact: Possible increased cost to DAC, OIDS, & DOC

Bill Summary and Comments:

HB 1306 modifies the sentencing for the first degree murder of a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional officer in the performance of official duties. "Absent an overwhelming amount of mitigating evidence," the defendant will not be entitled to receiving life in prison, or life without parole.

Dependent on cases, this could lead to an increased amount of capital cases tried by DAC and defended by OIDS. Upon conviction, this could lead to an increased cost to DOC for housing inmates.