

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 3270</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>FloorAmendment1</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Decreases revenue impact of previous version</b>

**Research Analysis**

FA 1 to HB 3270 clarifies that a defendant named in an action or indictment is not required to pay the costs unless the court exercises its discretion and the parties agree. The amendment removes language regarding the waiving of all fines, fees, costs or assessments when proof is provided of enrollment in a federal or state government assistance program. The amendment provides that in determining the ability of a person to pay fines, fees, costs, or assessments, any monies received from a federal or state government need-based assistance program is not to be counted as person income.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The first floor amendment to the measure is a page-line amendment.

The first floor amendment would alter the fiscal impact of the measure.

The amendment would provide for court discretion in the waiver or reduction of court costs, fines, fees, and assessments. By doing so, the first floor amendment would decrease the potential reduction in revenue impact of the committee substitute version of the measure. However, an overall reduction to district court revenue and certain executive branch agencies is still likely upon passage of the measure. The exact impact would depend on the number and disposition of cases.

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**Other Considerations**

None.