

Legislative Analysis



CRIME VICTIMS ASSESSMENT

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House Bill 4798

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Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4798 AS INTRODUCED 5-17-05

Currently, the Crime Victim Rights Services Act imposes a \$60 assessment on each person *convicted of* a felony and a \$50 assessment on each person convicted of a serious misdemeanor or specified misdemeanor. Generally speaking, the assessment is to be used to pay for crime victim's rights services.

House Bill 4798 would instead impose the penalties when a person is *charged with* a felony or relevant misdemeanor *that is resolved by conviction, by assignment of the defendant to youthful trainee status, by a deferred or delayed sentence or entry of judgment, or in another way that is not an acquittal or unconditional dismissal*. The amount of the assessments would remain the same.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

To the extent that the bill enabled crime victims rights assessments to be collected from offenders who otherwise might not have to pay, the bill would increase revenues for the Crime Victim's Rights Fund, which supports services for crime victims.

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