

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA



Session 2009

Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 447 (First Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Extend IDS Copy Exemption.

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Goodwin and Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes ()	No (X)	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2009-10</u>	<u>FY 2010-11</u>	<u>FY 2011-12</u>	<u>FY 2012-13</u>	<u>FY 2013-14</u>
REVENUES:					
EXPENDITURES:					
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Judicial Branch					
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2009					

BILL SUMMARY:

Amends G.S. 7A-308(b1) to provide that copying costs collected by the superior court clerk are not chargeable when copies are requested by an attorney under contract with the Office of Indigent Defense Services in connection with the contract. Effective July 1, 2009

Source: Bill Digest H.B. 447 (03/05/0200).

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

Judicial Branch

The Office of Indigent Defense Services (IDS) reported to Fiscal Research that it *expects no fiscal impact associated with this proposed bill*. Under current practice, attorneys who work as “contract attorneys” for IDS are not being charged for copies under the existing statutory language. The proposed bill will exempt attorneys working for NC Prisoner Legal Services; however, IDS does not currently reimburse these attorneys for their copy costs.

SOURCES OF DATA: Office of Indigent Defense Services

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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