

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6524
BILL NUMBER: SB 149

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 10, 2024
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Electronic Monitoring Program Immunity.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Randolph Lonnie M
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill adds judicial officers to the list of persons immune from civil liability for certain acts or omissions that occur in connection with the statute establishing electronic monitoring standards. (Current law provides that immunity does not apply to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2025.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: *Court Fee Revenue:* If there is a reduction in civil actions that occur, revenue from court fees may be impacted. However, any reduction in revenue is expected to be minimal.

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill expands immunity from civil liability to judges who oversees a case or makes an order related to electronic monitoring standards. If local units are liable for civil actions against a judge, the bill could reduce local expenditures by avoiding costs for litigation and, if any, civil fines and court fees.

Explanation of Local Revenues: *Court Fee Revenue:* If there is a reduction in civil actions that occur, local governments would receive less revenue from court fees. However, any reduction in revenue is expected to be minimal.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Local units; trial courts.

Information Sources:

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