

HB 25-1304: EXTENSION OF RESTITUTION DEADLINES

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill updates the timeline for courts to determine restitution owed by a defendant.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

Minimal State Workload

Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

Restitution compensates victims for losses caused by a defendant's criminal actions. Courts must determine restitution based on information provided by prosecuting attorneys. Under current law, restitution must be determined within 91 days after a conviction order is entered and the court may extend this deadline for determining restitution if good cause is shown.

The bill grants the prosecuting attorney 63 days to submit restitution information to the trial court judge following a conviction if the information is not available on the day a conviction is entered. The trial court judge then has an additional 63 days following the submission of restitution information by the district attorney to order restitution.

State Expenditures

If longer restitution timelines lead to more court time, workload to trial courts will increase. However, because the courts may already extend the timeline for good cause, any increase is expected to be minimal.

Local Government

Similar to the state, if longer restitution timelines increase the time for cases, workload to district attorney offices will increase. Any increase is assumed to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature, and applies to defendants sentenced on or after this date.

State and Local Government Contacts

District Attorneys

Judicial