



Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1301: AUTHORIZING VOICE COURT REPORTER TO GIVE OATH

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill adds voice reporters to the list of individuals who may administer oaths and affirmations in court.

No fiscal impact. The bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year 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

Current law specifies the individuals who may administer an oath or affirmation in court. The bill adds certified verbatim reporters and certified verbatim reporters-stenotype to the list of individuals who may administer oaths and affirmations.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

Courts will have additional flexibility for which staff are available to administer an oath or affirmation, but the bill does not impact the number of personnel required to be present during court proceedings nor does it affect the overall length of the proceeding. Because this change will not have any impact on court revenues or expenditures, this bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Judicial

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).