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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6449

BILL NUMBER: HB 1594

DATE PREPARED: Nov 24, 1998

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Court reporting services.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill imposes restrictions on who may take a deposition for use in a proceeding in an Indiana court.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill makes taking a deposition before anyone other than: a hearing officer, a judge, clerk, commissioner, or official reporter of a court, a notary public or another individual authorized by law to take a deposition, a Class B misdemeanor. The maximum fine for a Class B misdemeanor is \$1,000. Criminal fines are deposited in the Common School Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures: A Class B misdemeanor is punishable by up to 180 days in jail. The average daily cost to incarcerate a prisoner in a county jail is approximately \$44.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources: