

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2282
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The bill author has informed the committee that Code of Criminal Procedure provisions relating to fees imposed on defendants convicted of felonies or misdemeanors for services provided by peace officers must be updated to reflect the increases in legal costs caused by inflation in recent years. H.B. 2282 seeks to ensure that fees align with current economic conditions by increasing the fee for executing or processing an issued arrest warrant, capias, or capias pro fine from \$50 to \$75.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 2282 amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to increase from \$50 to \$75 the amount of the reimbursement fee that a defendant convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor must pay to defray the cost of specified services provided in the case by a peace officer for executing or processing an issued arrest warrant, capias, or capias pro fine.

H.B. 2282 applies only to a fee imposed for the execution or processing of an arrest warrant, capias, or capias pro fine issued for an offense committed on or after the bill's effective date. A fee imposed for the execution or processing of an arrest warrant, capias, or capias pro fine issued for an offense committed before the bill's effective date is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For these purposes, an offense was committed before the bill's effective date if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2025.