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On Behalf Of: victims
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2491

I oppose this measure

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: The measure establishes court procedures upon receipt of a petition for remission of fines or fees under certain statutes. It further provides factors the court shall consider when determining whether to remit a fine or fee under this provision including: the financial resources of the petitioner; the financial obligations of the petitioner; the nature of the burden the debt imposes; whether the petitioner qualifies for public assistance; the age of the debt; and any other equitable factor. If the the court determines that requiring payment would be a manifest hardship based on the consideration of the factors provided, the measure directs the court to remit all or part of the amount due. Finally, it directs the State Court Administrator to develop a standardized form to be used for the petitions for remissions of fines and that it be made available on the website of the Judicial Department.

What procedures?

What factors?

What public assistance program is provided, or is it a NEW TAX? (I suspect the latter).

Age of the debt? Financial obligations? There is no clue - this could mean a CEO of a corporation could get out since the measure has remit all or part of the amount due, or perhaps the same amount as the person who owes 1400 dollars.

With a standardized form for every item, the state could however remove several positions to save money. This one thing would be worth supporting it.

OTHERWISE I OPPOSE THIS MEASURE