BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: DOC: Minimal
AG Medicaid Revolving

Fund: Revenue positive

Research Analysis

House Bill 3668, as introduced, requires that prosecutions for crimes pertaining to the sexual abuse of a vulnerable adult must begin within 12 years after the discovery of the crime. The measure also expands the definition of racketeering activity to include Medicaid fraud and outlines penalties for Medicaid fraud based on the aggregate amount of payments illegally claimed or received.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure would include all adult sexual abuse crimes in crimes related to sexual abuse, and increases the statute of limitations for such crimes. The measure also decreases the dollar threshold amounts for felony and misdemeanor Medicaid fraud. Persons guilty of Medicaid fraud shall pay a fine proportionate to the fraudulent payments claimed or received, or be imprisoned for not more than 3 years, or both. Such guilty persons shall also be liable for any costs related to the investigation, litigation, and attorney fees, which, in addition to all fines assessed, shall be deposited in the Attorney General's Medicaid Revolving Fund.

HB3668 has the potential to create imprisonments with the Department of Corrections (DOC). The DOC FY2022 Marginal Cost of Incarceration per Inmate was \$16.60/day (\$6,059/year) and that cost is expected to be absorbed by the agency using existing budgetary resources. The revenue that will be generated by this measure for the Attorney General's Medicaid Revolving Fund is likely unknown but there is expected to be a positive impact to the fund.

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Other Considerations

None.