BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB2606
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Impact: DAC FY26: \$2,670,000

FY27 and onward: \$3,650,000

Research Analysis

HB 2606 directs the District Attorneys Council to develop and implement a five-year Domestic Violence Forensic Exam Pilot Program, subject to the availability of funds, in counties with a population of more than 100,000. The program is to provide counties with qualified licensed health care professionals to conduct domestic violence forensic exams. The measure creates a Domestic Violence Examination Fund in each participating county. The measure authorizes the Crime Victims Compensation Board to pay up to \$200 for a domestic violence forensic exam.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB2606 directs the District Attorneys Council (DAC) to develop and implement a domestic violence forensic exam pilot program. Officials with the DAC have provided the following analysis:

FY26: Estimated fiscal impact is roughly \$2,670,000

FY27: Estimated fiscal impact is roughly \$3,650,000 and annually thereafter

The amount of annual payable claims are estimated to be \$1.9M in FY26 and at least \$2.8M annually thereafter

- Currently, 5 counties in Oklahoma meet the requirements for participation.
- Based upon FY24 data from a grant in Tulsa county involving domestic violence examinations, there's an estimated 14,000 claims which might be processed annually across the 5 counties.
- The current bill language has a \$200 maximum limit payable per claim/exam.
- \$200 per claim at 14,000 annual claims is \$2.8M annually.
- Claims in FY26 would be less, due to the bill becoming effective November 1st, 2025.

Estimated costs to the District Attorneys Council (DAC) to administer: roughly \$170K in FY26 and roughly \$250K annually thereafter for 3 FTE

- The bill requires the establishment of a new program across multiple counties requiring coordination, planning, & administration, so at least 1 FTE is needed for a program coordinator.
 - Estimated salary of \$80K with total payroll costs including benefits & taxes of roughly \$100K.
- Based upon the estimated 14,000 annual claims, the DAC would need at least 2 clerks to process claims.

 Estimated salary of \$50K for each clerk with total payroll costs including benefits & taxes of roughly \$70K each or \$140K annually for 2 FTE.

Estimated costs for didactic domestic violence examiners training courses: at least \$150K annually

• Based upon other states offering extensive, similar training courses, it is estimated to cost roughly \$150K annually to help ensure that there are enough qualified licensed healthcare professionals available to perform these exams across the 5 eligible counties.

Based upon information from the Oklahoma Hospital Association website, there would be over 40 hospitals in the eligible.

Therefore, in its current form, there is an estimated cost to the DAC of \$2,670,000 in FY26, and an annual estimated cost of \$3,650,000 in FY27 and each year thereafter. The DAC may seek additional funding to defray these costs in administering the program.

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Other Considerations

None.

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