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House Bill 4172 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Tom Meyer

House Committee: Health Policy

Senate Committee: Health Policy

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to add hepatitis C to the diseases for which defendants arrested and charged with prostitution-related crimes, solicitation of a child for an immoral purpose, gross indecency, criminal sexual conduct (CSC) or assault with intent to commit CSC, or intravenous use of a controlled substance, must be examined and tested. The bill also would allow a court to order individuals convicted of those crimes to pay for the required tests.

Presently, defendants are tested for venereal disease, hepatitis B, HIV, and AIDS.

MCL 333.5129

Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

To the extent that the bill would allow judges to require offenders to pay for the costs of the medical tests and examinations, it could provide savings to local governments and health departments that are currently incurring a portion of those costs. The bill also would potentially increase corrections costs to the State and local governments by creating a new penalty of up to 90 days' incarceration for failure to pay for testing costs. The new penalty also would include a fine of up to \$100, which would potentially provide additional penal fine revenue to public libraries.

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