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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6597**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1112**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 24, 2006**

**BILL AMENDED: Jan 23, 2006**

**SUBJECT:** Communications of sympathy.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Foley

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1st House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill prohibits a court from admitting a communication of sympathy into evidence. The bill provides that a court may admit a statement of fault into evidence, including a statement of fault that is part of a communication of sympathy, if otherwise admissible under the Indiana Rules of Evidence.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2006.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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