



Open Government Impact Statement

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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act changes the law about compensation for wrongful convictions and makes a new PCR process when a conviction is based on some discredited science. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.9).

Modifies provisions relating to petitions for compensation for wrongful conviction.

Creates a new post-conviction relief petition process when a person has a conviction that is based on scientific expert testimony, scientific expert evidence or scientific expert opinion derived from specified discredited forensic science disciplines. Sunsets the new petition process on January 2, 2031.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

NOTICE OF NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT