

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS  
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6638**  
**BILL NUMBER: HB 1214**

**NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 30, 2025  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Arrest Power.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Steuerwald  
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

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

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that an investigator appointed by a prosecuting attorney has the same police powers within the state if the investigator was previously employed as a law enforcement officer or a federal enforcement officer for at least five years.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2026.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The bill expands the police powers of prosecuting attorney investigators (PAIs) for certain qualifying individuals. As a result, qualified PAIs would be authorized to make arrests across county lines, serve warrants and subpoenas, locate witnesses and victims, and conduct investigations beyond their county jurisdiction.

Under IC 33-39-4-1, an investigator appointed by a prosecuting attorney has the same police powers within the county as authorized by law for all police officers.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** County prosecuting attorneys; prosecuting attorney investigators.

**Information Sources:** IC 33-39-4-1.

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