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TO: Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB563 by Haggerty (Relating to the murder of a commissioned security officer as a capital offense.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by including the murder of a commissioned security officer as one of the specified circumstances for the offense of capital murder.

Capital murder carries a penalty of death or life in prison.

Under current law and policy, and under the proposed bill, the average time served in prison by persons likely to be affected by the provisions of this bill is greater than five years. Therefore, no additional impacts on demands on the adult corrections agencies are anticipated during the first five years following passage of this bill.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department Of Criminal Justice

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