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TO: Honorable Jaime Capelo, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2208 by Allen (Relating to obtaining criminal history record information for applicants for and holders of a license to practice registered nursing.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2208, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds |
|-------------|--|
| 2004 | \$0 |
| 2005 | \$0 |
| 2006 | \$0 |
| 2007 | \$0 |
| 2008 | \$0 |

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

| Fiscal Year | Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1 | Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1 |
|-------------|---|--|
| 2004 | \$360,750 | (\$360,750) |
| 2005 | \$368,550 | (\$368,550) |
| 2006 | \$374,088 | (\$374,088) |
| 2007 | \$379,704 | (\$379,704) |
| 2008 | \$385,398 | (\$385,398) |

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would allow the Board of Nurse Examiners to obtain criminal history records from the Department of Public Safety and The Federal Bureau of Investigations on professional registered nurses and assess a fee for the process.

Methodology

The Board of Nurse Examiners indicates it would cost \$39 per new license application to perform Department of Public Safety and Federal Bureau of Investigations background checks. The agency anticipates 9,250 new applicants in fiscal year 2004 and 9,450 new applicants in fiscal year 2005, with a 1.5 percent increase in the number of applicants each year thereafter.

It is assumed the Board of Nurse Examiners would adjust fees to offset any costs associated with the implementation of the bill.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 507 Board of Nurse Examiners

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