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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2191 by Wong (Relating to the treatment of social security numbers under the public information law.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Public Information Act by allowing a governmental body to redact the social security number of a living person without the necessity of asking for a decision from the Office of the Attorney General (OAG). Since a governmental body would not need to request a ruling to withhold the social security number of a living person, the passage of this bill would not increase the number of requests for rulings the OAG receives.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds majority vote in both houses; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

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