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TO: Honorable David Swinford, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: HB2191 by Wong (Relating to providing that the social security number of a living person is excepted from required disclosure under the public information law and may be redacted without the necessity of requesting a decision from the attorney general.), **As Introduced**

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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