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**TO:** Honorable Kino Flores, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

**IN RE: HB465** by Flores (Relating to the licensing and regulation of bail bond sureties; creating an offense.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Occupations Code to authorize a county bail bond board to review a new license holder during the first year of licensing for compliance with Chapter 1704.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to prohibit a person, other than an attorney representing a defendant, from charging a fee for assisting a defendant to obtain release on personal bond, except for a fee imposed under Article 17.42. A violation would be a Class A misdemeanor, which is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$4,000 or confinement in jail of not more than one year, or both a fine and confinement.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:**

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