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TO: Honorable Mark Strama, Chair, House Committee on Technology, Economic Development & Workforce

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

IN RE: HB2397 by Turner, Chris (relating to requiring computer technicians to report images of child pornography; providing a criminal penalty.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Business and Commerce Code and require computer technicians to immediately report to local or state law enforcement agencies or the Cyber Tipline whenever they discover images of child pornography on computers they are working on. It is assumed that any additional costs associated with implementation of the bill could be absorbed within existing state resources.

Local Government Impact

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

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