

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
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May 27, 2009

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: HB2932 by Vaught (Relating to including in the law enforcement information system information indicating that criminal defendants have committed certain additional offenses.),
As Passed 2nd House

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| <p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p> |
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The bill would require the Department of Public Safety to capture a summary of any forensic DNA test results indicating a high likelihood that the defendant committed another offense, regardless of whether the defendant has been, or will be arrested for, or charged with that offense and the offense code for that offense. This provision would apply to any defendant who has been arrested for or charged with any felony or misdemeanor offense, other than a misdemeanor offense punishable by fine only. The bill would also establish a procedure whereby a person could request notification of entry into the system and appeal the accuracy of the inclusion. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009. This analysis assumes that the fiscal and operational costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current agency resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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