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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: SB549 by Carona (Relating to the authority of the Department of Public Safety to obtain and use criminal history record information for certain departmental authorizations.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>

The bill would amend the Government Code to allow the Department of Public Safety to access Texas criminal history records and information maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as related to certain persons who interact with a controlled substance or apply for or hold licenses related to chemical precursor transfers, chemical laboratory apparatus transfers or certain inspection stations. If not receiving the vote necessary for immediate effect, the bill would take effect September 1, 2009. This analysis assumes that the provisions associated with the bill would not pose a significant fiscal impact to the state.

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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