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TO: Honorable Todd Hunter, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: SB709 by Nelson (Relating to activity that constitutes maintaining a common nuisance.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to add to the list of activities that comprise a public nuisance. The proposed change in statute would apply only to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of the bill, which would be September 1, 2009.

Enforcement actions against a public nuisance may be taken at the state or the local government level. It is anticipated that costs of any additional enforcement actions could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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