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TO: Honorable Tommy Merritt, Chair, House Committee on Public Safety

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

IN RE: SB1424 by Seliger (Relating to a person's eligibility to possess or carry a concealed handgun or other firearm.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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

The bill addresses certain exemptions from convictions, application processes, license modifications, license renewal procedures, mandatory revocation requirements, mandatory suspension requirements, handgun proficiency standards, and the on-line renewal of certification as a handgun instructor. The bill would amend the Government Code to require that certain applicants to renew certification as a qualified handgun instructor must be able to use an online format to complete the required retraining courses. The bill also specifies several conditions under which the Department of Public Safety shall revoke a handgun license, including if the applicant submits an application fee that is dishonored or reversed and the applicant fails to submit a form of payment and a fee of \$25 within thirty days of being notified that the original payment was dishonored or reversed. DPS indicates that it currently charges a fee for dishonored or reversed payments. The bill would also allow DPS to use a written statement from a qualified handgun instructor as a basis on which to deny a license to an applicant. The bill would repeal Sections 411.175 and 411.189, Government Code. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009. This analysis determines that implementing the provisions of 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.

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