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TO: Honorable Burt R. Solomons, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB2154 by Wentworth (Relating to the confidentiality of certain travel vouchers submitted by certain peace officers.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code by adding Chapter 660.2035, which states a travel voucher submitted by a peace officer for travel authorized and required to provide personal protection for an elected official or an elected official's family member is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552. Upon request, the state agency that employs the peace officer shall, upon request, summarize the amounts paid or reimbursed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comptroller) in response to the voucher and a summary of any goods and services acquired for which a travel expense is claimed under the voucher. This bill would take effect immediately if two-thirds of the members in both the House of Representatives and the Senate vote to approve, if not, the bill would take effect on September 1, 2009.

The Department of Public Safety and the Comptroller anticipate no significant fiscal impact to their agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety

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