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TO: Honorable Sid Miller, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

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

IN RE: HB320 by Alonzo (Relating to equipping certain K-9 law enforcement vehicles with heat alarm systems.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to authorize a law enforcement agency to install a heat alarm temperature monitor system in K-9 law enforcement vehicles that meet the standards established in the bill.

The Department of Public Safety currently has heat alarm systems installed in K-9 law enforcement vehicles; therefore, no new costs would be incurred for the State.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

There could be a fiscal impact to law enforcement agency that chose to install a heat alarm system in their K-9 law enforcement vehicles, but the cost would vary depending on the number of vehicles that needed to be equipped with the system and the type of system. A local law enforcement agency that currently has a heat alarm system that complies with the standards installed in their K-9 law enforcement vehicles would not have a fiscal impact. The average cost for a heat alarm system ranges from an estimated \$400 to \$800 depending on the type of system.

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