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TO: Honorable Mike Hamilton, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

IN RE: HB3125 by Thompson (Relating to unauthorized recordings of a live performance.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Business and Commerce Code as it relates to the unauthorized recordings of a live performance. Under the provisions of the bill, a person who records a live performance as defined by the bill without the consent of the owner would be punishable based on the number of unauthorized recordings during a 180-day period or a previous conviction. Under current statute, unauthorized recording of a live performance is punishable by confinement in county jail, imprisonment, fine or both confinement/imprisonment and fine.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2011 and apply only to an offense committed on or after that date.

For this analysis, it is assumed the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of State corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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