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TO: Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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

IN RE: SB342 by Carona (Relating to the power of the office of the attorney general to make certain examinations and inquiries.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Business Organizations Code and authorize the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to make certain inquiries of businesses or charities when the OAG believes that the entity is engaging in, or likely to engage in, an unlawful act. The bill could result in additional investigations and cases by the OAG within the Consumer Protection and Public Health Division. It is assumed that any additional costs associated with implementation of the bill could be absorbed within existing state resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General

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