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TO: Honorable Abel Herrero, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB501 by Hernandez Luna (Relating to the use of proceeds from criminal asset forfeiture to provide college scholarships to children of peace officers killed in the line of duty and to an annual report regarding the total value of forfeited property in this state.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to authorize law enforcement agencies to transfer no more than 10 percent of the gross amount credited to the entity's criminal asset forfeiture fund into a special fund to provide college scholarships to children of peace officers killed in the line of duty. The bill also would require the Attorney General to produce an annual report of the total value of this forfeited property for each calendar year. It is assumed that the fiscal impact to the state would not be significant.

The Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Public Safety anticipate any additional work resulting from the bill could be reasonably absorbed with current resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

There could be some administrative costs associated with establishing a separate special fund, and disbursing funds to eligible recipients; however, the fiscal impact to units of local government is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 405 Department of Public Safety

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