

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB3433** by Fletcher (Relating to the regulation of certain private security companies and occupations; creating an offense.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Occupations Code and Health and Safety Code as they relate to the regulation of certain private security companies and occupations. The bill would authorize the Department of Public Safety to conduct legal compliance inspections of private security businesses regulated under Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, require an applicant or license holder to maintain insurance to cover all private security business activities of the applicant or license holder, and create an offense if a person lacks sufficient insurance to cover these business activities. The Department of State Health Services Medical Advisory Board is given the responsibility for determining whether an applicant for or holder of a commission as a security officer under Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, is capable of exercising sound judgment with respect to the proper use and storage of a hand gun.

The Department of State Health Services and indicates it could absorb the costs associated with the bill within its current resources. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote in each house. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

**Local Government Impact**

The bill creates a Class A misdemeanor. Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution, and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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