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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: SB1814 by Estes (Relating to a requirement that members of the Public Safety Commission hold a secret security clearance.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to require as a qualification of service that each Public Safety Commissioner possess and maintain a United States secret level security clearance. The bill would allow a member to serve on the Commission upon being granted an interim secret security clearance by the federal government. The bill would proscribe a member with an interim secret security clearance from accessing classified information; participating in a briefing involving classified information; or voting on an issue involving classified information.

It is assumed the costs associated with implementing the bill's provision could be absorbed within current appropriations. The bill would take effect immediately upon a two-thirds vote of both chambers; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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