

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.S.B. 1151  
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Appropriations  
Committee Report (Substituted)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that the process of terminating compensation for wrongful imprisonment upon the recipient's conviction of a felony offense would be more efficient and accurate if the comptroller of public accounts was afforded access to the criminal history record information of persons receiving, scheduled to receive, or applying to receive that compensation. C.S.S.B. 1151 seeks to provide the comptroller with access to this and other necessary information.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

C.S.S.B. 1151 amends the Government Code to entitle the comptroller of public accounts to obtain from the Department of Public Safety criminal history record information that the comptroller believes is necessary for the enforcement or administration of statutory provisions relating to compensation for wrongful imprisonment, including criminal history record information that relates to a person who is receiving, scheduled to receive, or applying to receive such compensation.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.

### **COMPARISON OF SENATE ENGROSSED AND SUBSTITUTE**

C.S.S.B. 1151 differs from the original only by changing the council draft number in the footer.