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TO: Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3110 by Meyer (Relating to possession or promotion of child sexual abuse material; increasing a criminal penalty; changing eligibility for community supervision.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the penal code as it relates to the criminal offense of child pornography and possessing or promoting child sexual abuse material. Under the provisions of the bill, the offense of child pornography would be changed to child sexual abuse material, and criminal penalties would be increased from a third to a second degree felony for possession or promotion of child sexual abuse material, and from a second to a first degree felony for the same offense with any previous convictions. Additionally, individuals convicted of possession or promotion of child sexual abuse material under the provisions of the bill would be ineligible for community supervision.

The Office of Court Administration and Department of Criminal Justice indicate the modifications outlined in the bill's provisions would not result in a significant fiscal impact. This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions would not result in a significant impact on the demand for state correctional resources.

Local Government Impact

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

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