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TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2129 by Burns (Relating to a merchant allowing a person suspected of committing or attempting to commit theft to complete a theft education program.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would establish that a merchant is not precluded from offering a person suspected of stealing or attempting to steal from the merchant an opportunity to complete a theft education program instead of reporting the person to a law enforcement agency. The bill would establish requirements related to such a program.

It is assumed that any fiscal impact and any impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

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

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