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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 262 (Senator Green)

Judicial Proceedings

Private Home Detention Monitors and Agencies - Criminal History Records Checks

This bill requires the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) to report felony conviction findings to applicants for private home detention monitor and agency licenses as well as to the Secretary of the department. Under current law responsibility for notifying the applicant rests with the Secretary rather than the Central Repository.

The bill limits the right of an individual to contest a finding to those involving a finding of a felony conviction, and eliminates the ability of an individual to contest findings of pending charges. Under current law any finding of a criminal conviction or a pending charge allows an individual to contest the finding.

The bill also makes specified changes relating to the confidentiality and security of information found in criminal history record checks for the operation of private home detention monitors and agencies.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The requirements of this bill can be handled with the existing budgeted resources of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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