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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 293 (Delegate Rzepkowski)

Judiciary

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**Passenger-for-Hire Drivers - Criminal Background Record Checks - Employer Access**

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This bill authorizes an employer to obtain from the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository: (1) a copy of the results of a criminal background record check performed for the Public Service Commission that is done on any prospective or current employee who is licensed to provide passenger-for-hire services; and (2) information relating to criminal charges and convictions occurring after the date of the criminal record check. Information obtained by an employer is confidential and may not be distributed to anyone other than the employee who is the subject of the criminal background check. The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services may charge a fee to cover the processing and administrative costs. The provisions of this bill do not apply to persons licensed before the October 1, 1999 effective date.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill does not apply to the State as an employer. The bill would not affect the finances of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services because the bill specifically provides that the department may charge a fee to cover the processing and administrative costs.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

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**Information Source(s):** Public Service Commission, Department of Public Safety and

Correctional Services, Department of State Police

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