

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	05-3433/2	Introduction Number	SB-581	Estimate Type	Original
Description Mail theft, penalty enhancers for identity theft crimes against certain persons, protection of social security numbers of employees, prohibiting discrimination against an individual who refuses to disclose the individual's social security number, prohibiting social security numbers as identifying numbers on driver's licenses and identification cards, allowing individuals to restrict release of credit reports, and providing penalties					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Senate Bill 581 increases the penalty for mail and identity theft, restricts the use of social security numbers by businesses and employers, and allows individuals to restrict access to their credit reports.

Senate Bill 581 will have no fiscal effect on the Department of Health and Family Services. Currently, with few exception, federal law requires applicants to furnish their social security numbers for Medicaid eligibility. This policy would continue to be allowed under Senate Bill 581. The other provisions in Senate Bill 581 will not impact the administration or eligibility of the Department's programs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications