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S.B. 931: COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Senate Bill 931 (as introduced 12-11-01)

Sponsor: Senator Alan Sanborn

Committee: Transportation and Tourism

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 222 of 1972, which provides for the issuance and regulation of an official State personal identification card, to prohibit the Secretary of State from issuing an official ID card to people unlawfully living in the United States.

Under the Act, State residents may apply to the Department of State for an official ID card. The bill would define "resident" as "a person who resides in a settled or permanent home or domicile with the intention of remaining in this state". A person who obtained employment in the State would be presumed to have the intention of remaining in the State, and a U.S. citizen or lawful alien would be presumed to be a resident if he or she had resided in the State for at least 30 days.

Currently, upon application, applicants must supply a birth certificate attesting to their age, or other sufficient documents or identification as the Secretary of State may require. Under the bill, if the Department had reasonable cause to believe that an ID card application contained information that an applicant was an illegal alien, the Department could report that information to an appropriate Federal agency.

The Act requires that an original or renewal State ID card expire on the birthday of the card holder in the fourth year following the date of issuance. Under the bill, the card would expire on that date or on the date the card holder's presence in the United States was no longer lawful, whichever date occurred first.

MCL 28.291-28.292 Legislative Analyst: C. Layman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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