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House Bill 4704 (Substitute H-2 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Stephen Ehardt

House Committee: Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security

Senate Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Aeronautics Code to do the following:

- -- Repeal Section 85a, which requires a criminal history check and criminal records check of flight school applicants.
- -- Delete a provision prohibiting a flight school from enrolling an applicant who was convicted of, incarcerated for, or on probation or parole for a violent or other felony conviction in the preceding seven years.
- -- Require a flight school to implement a program to ensure the security of aircraft on the ground.

Legislative Analyst: Julie Koval MCL 259.85 & 259.85a

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would decrease State revenues by an indeterminate amount, but the bill's overall fiscal impact on the State would be cost-neutral. Currently, fees collected by the Michigan State Police for criminal history checks are used to support the costs of administering the checks. The State Police charge \$30 for State-level checks and \$24 for Federal-level checks. Police do not record information regarding the checks conducted for flight schools.

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