

Legislative Analysis



CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS FOR HORSE RACING

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House Bill 4233

Sponsor: Rep. Morris Hood III

Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4233 AS INTRODUCED 2-8-05

The bill would amend the Horse Racing Law of 1995 to require an applicant, when applying for an occupational license required under the act, to provide the racing commissioner with one or more sets of his or her fingerprints and to provide payment for the cost of the fingerprint check.

In order to determine if the applicant has been convicted of a crime in any state, the racing commissioner would have to submit the fingerprints and the appropriate state and federal fees to the Michigan Department of State Police for a criminal history check. The MSP could forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a criminal history check. Information obtained could only be used to determine the character and fitness of the applicant for licensing purposes.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Since the bill requires the applicant to pay for the criminal background check, there would be minimal fiscal impact on the state or on local units of government.

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