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House Bill 4721

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4721 AS INTRODUCED 5-3-05

The Michigan State Police maintains a sex offenders registry database accessible only for law enforcement purposes and also a public sex offenders registry (PSOR) on the Internet that is searchable by zip code. Whenever an individual required to be listed on the registry moves, he or she is required to re-register with the local law enforcement agency, and the law enforcement database and the PSOR database are subsequently updated to reflect the offender's new address.

House Bill 4721 would amend the Sex Offenders Registration Act to require the Michigan State Police to develop a subscriber system under which members of the public who were subscribers would be notified when a registered sex offender moved to a zip code area that they had designated. A person would have to subscribe in a manner required by the department.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the state and local governments as the cost for electronically notifying sex offender registry subscribers is not yet known.

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