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Senate Bill 1091 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Alan Sanborn

Committee: Economic Development and Regulatory Reform

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Professional Investigator Licensure Act to revise an exemption from licensure for certain certified public accountants (CPAs).

Under the Act, a person, firm, partnership, company, limited liability company, or corporation may not engage in the business of professional investigator for hire, fee, or reward, and may not advertise its business to be that of a professional investigator without first obtaining a license.

The Act does not apply to certain individuals, including a CPA acting within the scope of his or her licensed professional practice who does not perform investigative services, including surveillance activities or other activities outside of the scope of his or her licensed professional practice. Under the bill, the exemption instead would apply to a CPA or public accounting firm currently licensed, registered, or certified by a regulatory agency of this or any other state, including the CPA's or firm's employees.

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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

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