Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB1261ER **Patron:** Bagby
Bill Title: Fingerprints, palm prints, and photographs of juveniles.

Bill Summary: Requires law-enforcement officers to obtain, electronically when possible, fingerprints, palm prints with accompanying distal prints, if available, and photographs of any juvenile taken into custody and charged with a delinquent act. The bill also requires such fingerprints, palm prints, or photographs to be both filed with the Central Criminal Records Exchange and submitted electronically, when possible, to the State Police to be maintained in a confidential and secure area within the system in which the record is maintained that is inaccessible during routine use of such system. The bill further requires any electronic record of such fingerprints, palm prints, or photographs to be destroyed as soon as possible after the State Police have been notified that a petition or warrant has not been filed against the juvenile. The bill has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** None
Explanation: Not applicable

Fiscal Summary: There is no anticipated state fiscal impact resulting from this legislative proposal.

Fiscal Analysis: This proposal would allow for the electronic collection and submission of juvenile arrest information to include fingerprints, photographs, and palm prints. There would not be an adverse fiscal impact on the Department of State Police as a result of this legislation. This proposal is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the Department of Juvenile Justice, Department of Criminal Justice Services, and Courts.

Other: None