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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6840**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 348**

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 20, 2001  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Address Confidentiality Program.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill removes the requirement that an Address Confidentiality Program participant live in Indiana. It allows an emancipated minor to participate in the program. The bill provides that victims of sexual assault and stalking may participate in the program. The bill allows participants who obtain a name change to continue participating in the program, but requires the participants to provide documentation of the name change to the Office of the Attorney General. It prohibits the disclosure other than by the Office of Attorney General of a participant's identifying information to a law enforcement officer. The bill repeals provisions relating to renewal of program participation following termination of a protective order. It also repeals a requirement that a program participant provide a copy of a renewed protective order to continue program participation. The bill repeals a requirement that the Office of Attorney General revoke the certification of a program participant who obtains a name change.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2002.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** The bill confers civil immunity to the Attorney General's office and its agents from damages for conduct within the scope of the Address Confidentiality Program. The provision has the potential of decreasing the number of lawsuits filed against the state. The specific fiscal impact of this provision is indeterminable. Any cost savings will depend on the number of lawsuits that would have been filed against the state.

Other provisions in the bill are not expected to have a fiscal impact.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Attorney General.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Jennifer Thuma, Legislative Counsel, Attorney General's Office, 233-6143.