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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6625
BILL NUMBER: HB 1168

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 15, 2003
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Confiscation of Firearms.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Smith V
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a law enforcement officer to confiscate a firearm possessed by a person who is alleged to have committed a crime by operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures: If a firearm is confiscated, the law enforcement officer must furnish the owner of the firearm with information about the process for retaking possession of the firearm. The officer must also provide for the safe storage of the firearm until the owner retakes possession. These provisions will add administrative expenses for the State Police; however, the expenses are not expected to be significant.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Local law enforcement agencies might also experience an increase in administrative expenses; however, the increased expenses are not expected to be significant.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Police.

Local Agencies Affected: Local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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