

**DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION
2002 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. **Patron** Almand

2. **Bill Number** HB 812

3. **Committee** House Militia, Police and Public Safety

House of Origin:

X **Introduced**

Substitute

Engrossed

4. **Title** Secrecy of Information: Law Enforcement
Officers

Second House:

In Committee

Substitute

Enrolled

5. **Summary/Purpose:**

This bill would require that at the request of a law-enforcement officer, that all personal information of such law-enforcement officer (including names, addresses, telephone numbers and social security numbers) be redacted from records of the circuit courts and tax information that are made public by means of display on the Internet. The effective date of this bill is not specified.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** None. (See line 8.)

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:**

The department would incur no administrative costs to administer this bill.

This bill would have no impact on General Fund revenue.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:**

Department of Taxation

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

11. **Other comments:**

The Tax Commissioner, agent, clerk, commissioner of the revenue, treasurer, or any other state or local tax or revenue officer or employee are prohibited from divulging any private state tax information. This would include publishing names, addresses, telephone numbers and social security numbers on the Internet.

However, localities are permitted to publish (either themselves or through third parties) their real estate books, tangible personal property books, and business license registrations on their Internet websites. This measure would allow a law enforcement officer to have his or her information deleted from these records, thereby, adding security against the possibility that an they, their family and/or their property would become a target for mischief or worse.

Other Legislation

House Bill 532 is identical to this bill.

cc: Secretary of Finance

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