

Department of Planning and Budget
2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 296

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: DeSteph

3. Committee: Senate Courts of Justice

4. Title: Special conservators of the peace

5. Summary:

Under current law, circuit court judges may appoint special conservators of the peace, who have certain law-enforcement authority. The proposed legislation would require that person applying for appointment as a special conservator of the peace include the results of a criminal history record information check in his or her application. Another provision of the legislation would prohibit the appointment as a special conservator of the peace any person who would be prohibited by law from possessing, transporting, or purchasing a firearm.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications:

The Department of Criminal Justice Services regulates special conservators of the peace and all persons appointed, or seeking appointment, as a special conservator of the peace are required to register with the department. It is not anticipated that there will be any fiscal impact on the department as a result of the proposed legislation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Criminal Justice Services
Circuit courts

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

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