

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 2217

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Toscano

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Address Confidentiality Program

5. Summary:

Current law directs the establishment of a Statewide Facilitator for Victims of Domestic Violence within the Office of the Attorney General. One of the primary functions of this position is the administration of an Address Confidentiality Program. Under the program, the Attorney General's office establishes designated addresses for victims of domestic violence and stalking participating in the program and forwards all first-class mail addressed to those addresses to the actual addresses of the program participants. The actual address of a program participant shall be available only to the Attorney General, those employees involved in the operation of the Address Confidentiality Program, and to law-enforcement officers. An applicant for the program may be certified for one year and recertified, upon application, every year thereafter.

The proposed legislation would expand the Address Confidentiality Program to include victims of sexual violence, in addition to domestic violence and stalking. It would also extend the initial certification period to three years and allow recertification every three years.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

7. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation is not expected to have a fiscal impact.

8. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Office of the Attorney General

9. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

10. Other Comments: None.

Date: 1/30/2017