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Bill Analysis

The FS for SB 367 authorizes Intermediate Emergency Medical Technicians, Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians, or paramedics to withdraw blood for the purpose of testing a person's blood alcohol content. The measure also removes tests involving a person's breath, saliva, or urine from the list of tests whose costs are borne by law enforcement. Additionally, the measure outlines standards for any breathalyzer test to be considered admissible as evidence in court proceedings. Such tests must use a device that is accredited by the U.S. Department of Transportation in the Federal Register and calibrated by a device from a list of approved devices published by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The test must also be administered by a person properly licensed by the Board of Tests for Alcohol and Drug Influence. The FS provides that analysis of a person's blood to be considered valid and admissible in evidence must be performed by a properly accredited laboratory.

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