

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB1976
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Research Analysis

The Senate amendment to HB 1976 authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety to:

- collect information concerning individuals believed to be engaged in terrorism, threats to public safety, organized crime, criminal conspiracies, or any other threats of violent crime;
- coordinate with local, state, and federal agencies to protect citizens from terrorism, threats to public safety, organized crime, criminal conspiracies, or any other threats of violent crime by creating a clearinghouse of crime-related information; and
- provide training to peace officers concerning the legal collection, preservation and dissemination of crime-related information.

The measure prohibits the release of information compiled except to law enforcement agencies and prosecutorial authorities. Unauthorized release of information is punishable by a fine of not more than \$50,000 a term of imprisonment not to exceed 1 year, or both fine and imprisonment.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure would authorize the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to perform certain assessments and investigations. Upon consultation with the DPS, it is not anticipated that HB1976 will have an impact on state budget or appropriations.

The senate amendment to the house bill does not have an affect the fiscal impact.

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Other Considerations

None.