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Bill Analysis

SB 1370 creates the Conviction Integrity Unit within the Office of the Attorney General to review and make recommendations regarding criminal convictions made in district courts. The Unit shall accept requests submitted by convicted persons to review their cases, develop criteria to review such cases, refer such persons to defense attorneys, make recommendations to district attorneys, provide assistance in completing relevant motions, consult with relevant experts, and examine each case in which a final ruling is made by the Court of Criminal Appeals on a writ of habeas corpus. The Unit shall prioritize cases that could result in life imprisonment or the death penalty for the defendant. The Unit shall not review claims solely alleging judicial errors. The measure also creates the Conviction Integrity Unit Revolving Fund.

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