

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 3277 modifies provisions relating to the return of stolen property or money to rightful owner. The measure requires notice to include notification be given by first-class mail if service is unavailable by certified mail and provides that hearings regarding the property be held not less than 15 days after notice has been served. The measure requires proof of service or publication be filed with the court clerk. Any owner of property is required to provide proof of title to the property or sign an affidavit of ownership if documents of title do not exist. The claimant may also be required to sign an agreement to indemnify and defend the custodians of the property in the event of an adverse claim to the property. If the property at issue is a firearm or other weapon, the court may order the property destroyed if the court determines that the owner is mentally or emotionally unstable or disturbed or cannot legally possess the firearm or other weapon. Property must be returned to the owner within 20 days of the issuance of any order.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

HB 3277, which deals with stolen property criminal procedure, has no fiscal or revenue implications for the state.

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**Other Considerations**

None.