BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: SB 1163 Version: Engrossed

Request Number:

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Impact: No direct fiscal impact anticipated

Research Analysis

Engrossed SB1163 authorizes each district attorney, in coordination with the District Attorneys Council, to develop a multidisciplinary team for the investigation and prosecution of crimes committed against elderly and vulnerable adults. The lead agency will be chosen by each team. The team will intervene in reports involving sexual abuse, abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an elderly or vulnerable adult. The team makeup and the list of the team's functions are included in the measure.

Any investigation, excepting cases in which personnel are not available or the Department of Human Services determines that there is reasonable cause to believe a delay in investigation or interview of a victim could place the victim's health or welfare in danger of harm, shall be conducted according to the protocols outlined in the measure. The measure requires that the team keep records pertaining to elderly or vulnerable adults confidential.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure, as engrossed, would authorize district attorneys to create elder abuse multidisciplinary teams.

Upon review, no direct fiscal impact to the state is anticipated from passage of the measure. The measure includes a provision that the authorized creation of multidisciplinary teams only occur subject to the availability of funding.

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Other Considerations

None.

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