BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB1405
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute for HB1405 outlines the actions that would constitute online harassment which is generally described as intimidation, harassment, threat or abuse by means of telecommunication or other electronic communication device. The measure establishes procedures for an injured party to file a civil claim for relief, including an injunctive relief to prevent further harassment while the matter is pending. An injured party may be awarded damages for any money spent related to counseling or libel, including a \$500 minimum for punitive damages.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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