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The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. DARGAN of the 115th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE
REQUIREMENT ON STANDARD IDENTIFICATION CARDS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 29-12 of the 2006 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 (a) All persons arrested for crime as described in section 29-11 shall
5 submit to the taking of their fingerprints, photograph and physical
6 description and all constables and chiefs of police of organized police
7 departments and the commanding officers of state police stations shall
8 immediately furnish to the State Police Bureau of Identification two
9 copies of a standard identification card on which shall be imprinted
10 fingerprints [and a photograph] of each person so arrested, together
11 with the physical description of, and such information as said bureau
12 may require with respect to, such arrested person. In the event
13 fingerprint or photographic images of arrested persons are captured

14 by electronic means, the captured electronic images shall be
 15 immediately transmitted to said bureau. Any electronic imaging
 16 equipment used to capture such fingerprint or photographic images
 17 shall be approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety or said
 18 commissioner's designee.

19 (b) All wardens of correctional institutions and the Community
 20 Correctional Center Administrator shall furnish to the State Police
 21 Bureau of Identification such information with respect to prisoners as
 22 said bureau requires.

23 (c) The Commissioner of Public Safety may adopt regulations, in
 24 accordance with chapter 54, for the submission to and the taking of
 25 fingerprints as required under this section which will promote
 26 efficiency and be consistent with advances in automation and
 27 technology.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	29-12

PS *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill eliminates the requirement that law enforcement officials include a photograph on the standard identification card that officials must submit to the State Police Bureau of Identification. The change in the requirement will result in the Department of Public Safety only collecting photographs electronically, and is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE
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SUMMARY:

This bill eliminates a requirement for law enforcement officials to include a photograph of persons arrested for crimes of moral turpitude on the standard identification card that the officials must submit to the State Police Bureau of Identification. The bill retains the requirement that the card include the person's fingerprints and physical description and any other information the bureau requires.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

BACKGROUND

Fingerprinting and Physical Description of Arrested Persons

By law, law enforcement officials must take the fingerprints, physical description, and photographs of anyone arrested for a crime of moral turpitude and immediately furnish the State Police Bureau of Identification with two copies of a standard identification card imprinted with the fingerprints, photograph, description, and other information the bureau requires. If the officials take the fingerprints or photographs electronically, they must send the electronic images.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/07/2006)