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**OLR Bill Analysis****HB 7333 (as amended by House "A")\******AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY.*****SUMMARY**

Under this bill, quasi-public agencies must require certain current and prospective employees to provide certain information, be fingerprinted, and submit to state and national criminal history records checks. These requirements apply to (1) applicants for, and employees applying for or transferring to, positions that involve access to federal tax information and (2) each current employee in such a position at least every 10 years.

The bill requires the applicants or employees to state in writing whether they have been convicted of a crime or whether criminal charges are pending against them at the time of making the statement. If charges are pending, the applicants or employees must identify the charges and court in which they are pending.

The bill also prohibits the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) from charging a fee to individuals requesting a state or national criminal history records check related to their service as a volunteer firefighter. Under existing law, the fee for a criminal history record check is \$75 (CGS § 29-11(c)(7)).

\*House Amendment "A" replaces the original bill (File 434) which made technical changes to the DESPP statutes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 18 Nay 6 (03/19/2019)

