

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued**

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**Action:** Do Pass  
**Vote:** 7 - 0 - 0  
**Yeas:** Bonamici, Galizio, Gilliam, Girod, Nelson, Riley, Holvey  
**Nays:** 0  
**Exc.:** 0  
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**Meeting Dates:** 5/7, 5/25

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Adds “deceased” to the definition of person and trust company account information to the definition of protected identification for the crime of identity theft.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The growing trend of identity thieves targeting accounts of the deceased

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No Amendment

**BACKGROUND:** Identity theft is a Class C felony punishable by a maximum of five years in prison and a \$125,000 fine. Currently, it is illegal to use the personal identification of another person with the intent to deceive or defraud. “Another person” is defined as a real or an imaginary person. SB 447 adds “living or deceased” to the definition of another person. In addition, SB 447 expands the definition of personal identification to include the identifying number of a person’s depository account at a “trust company” as well as a “financial institution.”