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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4524 by Phillips (Relating to the regulation of metal recycling entities; providing penalties.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Occupations and Penal Codes to expand the regulated metals list. The bill would also change the reporting requirements of metal recycling to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) from paper to electronic, but the text provides for exemptions and requires phone notification to DPS for certain metal sales. The bill states metal recycling entities may not purchase or otherwise receive wire that has been burned to remove the insulation. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2009.

DPS anticipates no significant fiscal impact to their agency.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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