

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1155

Introduced by Assembly Member Dutra

February 23, 2001

An act to add Section 529.7 to the Penal Code, relating to identity theft.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1155, as introduced, Dutra. Identity theft.

Existing law governs the powers and duties of the Department of Motor Vehicles with respect to issuing drivers' licenses, identification cards, vehicle registration certificates, and other official department documents.

This bill would make it a felony for a department employee to knowingly assist another person in obtaining a driver's license, identification card, vehicle registration certificate, or other official department document to which that person is not entitled.

By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 529.7 is added to the Penal Code, to
2 read:

3 529.7. Any employee of the Department of Motor Vehicles
4 who assists another in obtaining a driver’s license, identification
5 card, vehicle registration certificate, or any other official
6 document issued by the department, with knowledge that the
7 person is not entitled to that document, is guilty of a felony.

8 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
9 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
10 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
11 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
12 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
13 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
14 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
15 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
16 Constitution.

