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Rep. Boatman 4/18/2023 No negative impact

Research Analysis

SB 661 creates the "Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention Revolving Fund" within the Office of the Attorney General. The fund will consist of all monies received from penalties imposed by the courts on convictions of human trafficking violations and funds received from any other source including legislative appropriations. Monies may be expended from the fund to educate the public about human trafficking, assisting in the prevention of recruitment in schools of minors for exploitation; establishing a survivors' resource center; assist in coordination between law enforcement agencies and service providers; and provide information concerning a petition for expungement of a criminal history record resulting from the arrest for an offense committed while the person was a victim of human trafficking.

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Fiscal Analysis

This measure creates a revolving fund for the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to be designated the "Victims of Human Trafficking and Prevention Revolving Fund." All monies received from existing penalties for human trafficking violations will be directed into the fund. Officials with the OAG expect that certain appropriations which are already received for Human Trafficking will continue and could be directed into the fund as well. In its current form, SB661 does not have a direct negative impact on state budget or appropriations but does include provisions for how all monies accruing to the fund will be expensed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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