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SB 12 ver. A: Address Protection

Sectional Analysis

Sec. 1: Adds peace officers and correctional officers participating in the address protection program to the chapter of state law that contains confidentiality rules for some court records.

Sec. 2: Makes home addresses and telephone number of peace officers and correctional officers enrolled in the program confidential in court documents and requires that they be redacted before releasing a document containing them.

Sec. 3: Protects the home address and telephone number of peace officers and correctional officers enrolled in the program in open court and generally prevents them from being placed in court files unless ordered by the court.

Sec. 4: Defines “correctional officer” using the same language as AS 18.65.290.

Sec. 5: Puts the program in the Department of Administration.

Sec. 6: Creates the program.

(b) requires a Post Office Box as a substitute mailing address for enrollees and instructs the department to forward mail to participants. It charges the department with protecting confidentiality and requires regulations to govern enrollment and withdrawal.

- (c) describes eligible participants as people sheltered by a protective order and their parents, guardians, children, and household members. It also admits peace officers and correctional officers.
- (d) requires state and municipal agencies to accept the P.O. Box.
- (e) describes the eligibility period.
- (f) forbids the department from charging a fee.
- (g) allows access to confidential addresses subject to a search warrant.
- (h) establishes penalties for unlawfully revealing a protected individual's address.
- (i) defines certain terms.

Sec. 7: Establishes a transition period for the department to adopt regulations to implement the program.

Sec. 8: Let's the department begin its regulation process immediately.

Sec. 9: Sets an effective date of Jan. 1, 2024 for the rest of the bill.