

**Local Government Mandate Statement
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
2024 Regular Session**

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 1752

Bill #: HB 492 GA

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Bill Title: AN ACT relating to background checks.

Sponsor: Representative Matt Lockett

Unit of Government: City County Urban-County
Unified Local
 Charter County Consolidated Local Government

Office(s) Impacted: Local Governments

Requirement: Mandatory Optional

Effect on
Powers & Duties: Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

HB 492 GA would create a new section of KRS Chapter 65 to require that each employee of a qualified local government who has access to federal tax information sourced from the Internal Revenue Service to submit to a criminal background check by the Department of Kentucky State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It would require that the fee charged by the Department of Kentucky State Police be no more than the actual cost of processing the background check. It would also authorize the Department of Kentucky State Police to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to implement this section.

The fiscal impact of HB 492 GA on local governments is expected to be minimally negative. It appears that Louisville’s Revenue Commission is currently the only local entity that HB 492 would apply to. The Commission currently employs 42 employees that have access to federal tax information. The cost of a state background check through KSP is \$20.00 and the cost of a federal background check is \$18.00.

Data Source(s): Kentucky State Police; Louisville Metro Revenue Commission; Federal Bureau of Investigations

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