

**Local Government Mandate Statement
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
2025 Regular Session**

Part I: Measure Information

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| Bill Request #: | 1337 | Bill #: | HB 340/GA |
| Document ID #: | 6485 | Sponsor: | Rep. Tony Hampton |
| Bill Title: | AN ACT relating to background checks. | | |

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

Office(s) Impacted: Local governments, local law enforcement

Requirement: Mandatory Optional

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

Other Fiscal Statement(s) that may exist: Actuarial Analysis Corrections Impact
 Health Benefit Mandate State Employee Health Plan

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

HB 340/GA requires criminal justice agencies to provide criminal history records information to requesting agencies when they are conducting a basic suitability or fitness assessment for federal or contractor employees under 5 U.S.C. sec. 9101. HB 340/GA allows a Commonwealth criminal justice agency to request a fee of \$25 for reimbursement of expense related to the background check to be paid by the requesting federal agency.

Criminal justice agencies in the bill that fall under local government jurisdiction would be: local governments, sheriffs, local correctional facilities, school resource officer departments, airport safety and security departments, and any local agency in the Commonwealth that performs the administration of criminal justice pursuant to a statute, executive order, or other law, which allocates most of its annual budget to the administration of criminal justice.

The local fiscal impact of HB 340/GA is expected to be minimal, but positive. Should the federal government choose to pay the requested fee, this could offset some of the current costs that criminal justice agencies currently incur to perform criminal background checks.

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