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CONTENT

The bill would amend the DNA Identification Profiling System Act to provide that if the State Police forensic laboratory determined after analysis that a sample had been submitted by an individual who had been eliminated as a suspect in a crime, the laboratory would have to dispose of the sample and the corresponding DNA identification profile record. The sample would have to be disposed of in compliance with the requirements of the Public Health Code regarding disposal of medical wastes. The sample and the profile record would have to be disposed of in the presence of a witness. After disposal, the laboratory would have to make and keep a written record of the disposal, signed by the witness.

Currently, under the Act, the Department of State Police is required to retain permanently a DNA identification profile of an individual if he or she is convicted of or found responsible for murder, attempted murder, kidnapping, or criminal sexual conduct. Any other DNA identification profile must be retained only as long as it is needed for a criminal investigation or prosecution.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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