



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE, 2016**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 2671, RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

LATE

DATE: Thursday, February 4, 2016

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 325

TESTIFIER(S): Douglas S. Chin, Attorney General, or
Lance M. Goto, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Rhoads and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General submits comments.

The purpose of this bill is to require chiefs of police and agencies of State and county government that have the power of arrest to provide crime incident reports to the Attorney General as necessary for the Attorney General to operate a statewide crime reporting program and cooperate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program. Counties shall be fined for noncompliance by county police departments with the reporting requirements prescribed by the Attorney General.

As the bill is intended to assist the Department in operating a statewide crime reporting program, the Department offers comments. The Department notes that there are no legal or constitutional issues with this bill.

The Department does not support or oppose the proposed fine penalty provision, but will need to study and address the administrative questions raised by this provision and determine how the Department would be able to implement this penalty provision.