Email to Colorado Judicial Committee, RE: Vote on SB-133

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Good day to all:

On Tuesday, the 25th at 2pm you will be asked to vote on SB-133, the licensing of Colorado private Investigators ask you to vote NO.

As you are aware the cost of the license is a big issue whether you are in favor or against the bill. I understand that the DORA will be administrating the program and without a number of licenses issued they can’t confirm the cost of the license would be, however they can project the cost based on projected numbers. With that said let’s start with 300, and in increment of 50 go to 500. This will at least give us an idea of how costly the first year program will be. Understood the first year fee could be much different than one year one but still provides a number no one has.

To make this matter worse the DORA will not be able to start at ground zero, but $40,000.00 in the hole.

One bit of disturbing information. The Colorado Division of Motor Vehicle a form entitled “Motor Vehicle Record Search Request” used when doing a title search. On the bottom left corner the form asks for ‘Additional information, check if Applicable” and one of the boxes to check is: Colorado Licensed Private Investigator and Investigative Agency or Security Service.

From what I understand, this is a relatively new form and was first seen on or about March 20, 2014. The word ‘agency’ appears nowhere in the current law, but appears in the current bill that is not law. I am wondering if all involved in this process already know how you are going to vote in advance and I am wasting my time discussing my objections. Those of us who object this bill have been ignored by various committee members as this process moves forward. It would appear that assertions have a greater impact than fact as this bill moves forward.

Thank you in advance.