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TO: Honorable Terry Keel, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB237 by West, George "Buddy" (Relating to evidence offered in the prosecution of the offense of child pornography.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by allowing a defendant to offer evidence, under certain conditions, regarding the age of the person depicted in the offense of possession or promotion of child pornography. It is assumed that this bill would not significantly affect the fiscal operations of state government.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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