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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB614 by Keel (Relating to the applicability of the death penalty to a capital offense committed by a person with mental retardation.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure as it relates to the applicability of the death penalty to a capital offense committed by a person with mental retardation.

Under current law and policy, the average time served in prison by persons likely to be affected by the provisions of this bill is greater than five years. Therefore, no significant impact on demands on the adult corrections agencies is anticipated during the first five years following passage.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 410 Criminal Justice Policy Council, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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