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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB616 by Keel (Relating to the punishment for the offense of terroristic threat.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by enhancing the punishment for the offense of terroristic threat from a Class A misdemeanor to a state jail felony if the actor causes a pecuniary loss of \$1,500 or more to the owner of the building, room, place, or conveyance, where the offense was committed. It is estimated that the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not have a significant impact on the costs of state or local 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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