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TO: Honorable Robert Talton, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB681 by Farrar (Relating to the location of a jail or related facility operated by a municipality and a county.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 361.067, Local Government Code, to allow a county to establish a jail, detention center, work camp, or related facility in a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more, regardless of the location. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives two-thirds vote in both houses; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2003.

The population stipulation applies only to the City of Houston, and therefore, Harris County. Under current statute, neither private vendors nor Harris County may establish any of the listed facilities within one-half mile of a public school, institution of higher education, or place of worship.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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