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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1629 by Keffer, Jim (Relating to certain reports, records, offenses, and penalties under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill relates to the regulation of certain chemical precursors under the Texas Controlled Substances Act. The bill would amend Section 481.077, Health and Safety Code, to describe exceptions to the record keeping requirements for chemical precursors. The bill would amend Section 481.124, Health and Safety Code, to clarify the circumstances under which the illegal manufacture of methamphetamine can be presumed to be occurring and to more clearly define the role of the director of the Department of Public Safety in the designation of chemical precursors.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Based on the analysis of the Department of Health and the Department of Public Safety, no significant fiscal implication is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 501 Department of Health **LBB Staff:** JK, WK, EB, KF, MB