

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2248** by Denny (Relating to certain fraudulent criminal conduct affecting a financial institution.), **As Engrossed**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Penal Code by including authorization to debit an account at a financial institution for the offense of forgery. The bill would also include the obtainment of property or services by debit to an account at a financial institution in the offense of credit card or debit card abuse. The bill would also add financial institution account number as identifying information for the offense of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information. It is assumed that the number of offenders convicted under the provisions proposed in this bill would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

**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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