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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB917 by Whitmire (Relating to the time during which inmates may be considered for release on parole.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code by requiring that the parole policy board adopt a policy establishing the date on which the parole board may reconsider for release an inmate who has previously been denied release. The policy set by the board would require the board to reconsider for release inmates ineligible for mandatory supervision at any time after the first anniversary of the date of denial and before the fifth anniversary of the date of denial. The policy would require that inmates eligible for mandatory supervision be reconsidered for release as soon as practicable after the first anniversary of the date of the denial. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice has determined that the cost of implementing the provisions of this bill would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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