# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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# **April 28, 2003**

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

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: SB1092** by Shapiro (Relating to evidence offered in the prosecution of the offense of child pornography.), **As Introduced** 

# No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by allowing a defendant being prosecuted for the offense of child pornography to offer evidence to establish that the material depicts a person 18 years or age or older at the time of the commission of the offense only if the attorney representing the defendant provides notice of that intention to the court and the attorney representing the state not later than the  $10^{th}$  day before the date on which trial on the merits commences. It is assumed that the bill would not have a significant impact on the State.

# **Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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