

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 79TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 29, 2005

TO: Honorable Joe Nixon, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB425 by Dutton (Relating to the payment of child support obligations on behalf of persons wrongfully imprisoned.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the State to pay for current child support that accrues while a wrongfully imprisoned obligor is in prison, plus any interest accruals during the period of imprisonment. The Comptroller of Public Accounts indicates there would be no administrative costs for the agency; however, a cost to General Revenue may result for additional payments resulting from wrongful imprisonment estimated to be approximately \$418,000 for the first biennium and \$236,000 for the next biennium.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

LBB Staff: JOB, LB, JM