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TO: Honorable Jerry Madden, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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

IN RE: HB640 by Bailey (Relating to peace officers commissioned and employed to perform duties at correctional facilities.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would authorize a sheriff or the head of a municipal law enforcement agency to commission and employ correctional peace officers to make arrests, prevent or abate the commission of offenses, and perform other assigned duties at correctional facilities operated by the county or municipality, as appropriate. Officers commissioned by the sheriff or municipal law enforcement agency would be required to maintain a peace officer license. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education states that it would be able to absorb any costs related to certifying additional officers under the provisions of the bill.

Local departments contacted stated that the provisions of the bill would not have a fiscal impact for them.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 407 Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education

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