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TO: Honorable Terry Keel, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: HB1574 by Miller (Relating to the offense of fraudulent use or possession of a deceased person's identifying information.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by enhancing the punishment for the offense of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information from a state jail felony to a felony of the third degree if the offender uses identifying information from a deceased natural person, including a stillborn infant or fetus, without legal authorization. It is assumed that the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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