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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: HB1723 by Hamric (Relating to including within conduct proscribed by various offenses certain conduct involving the discharge of fireworks.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add to acts that constitute a Class C misdemeanor, the act of discharging fireworks within 300 feet of a residential dwelling, a highway, street, sidewalk, railway, waterway, elevator, aisle, hallway, entrance or exit to which the public has access, or any other place used for the passage of persons, vehicles, or conveyances. The bill would also create as a Class C misdemeanor the act of discharging fireworks within 600 feet of a facility that houses animals. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives the required two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2005 and would apply only to an offense committed on or after the effective date.

No significant fiscal implication is anticipated as a result of enforcement, prosecution, or punishment activities related to these offenses.

Local Government Impact

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

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