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

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

IN RE: SB615 by Averitt (Relating to the powers of a Special Agent of the Secret Service to effect an arrest, search, or seizure.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add section 2.122(g) to the Code of Criminal Procedure, which would extend the powers of a Special Agent of the Secret Service in this state.

The bill would extend to Secret Service agents the power of arrest, search, and seizure as to misdemeanor offenses under state law and criminal offenses under federal law if the agents were in the state to protect or to investigate a threat against: the President, Vice President, President-elect, Vice President-elect or any member of his or her immediate families; visiting heads of foreign states or foreign governments; other distinguished foreign visitors; or major presidential and vice presidential candidates and their spouses.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

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