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TO: Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

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

IN RE: SB1551 by Estes (Relating to the continuation of certain offenses and certain statutes involving the interception of certain communications.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Penal Code by repealing the language specifying the expiration date of the section which addresses offenses related to the unlawful interception, use, or disclosure of wire, oral, or electronic communications. The bill would also amend the Code of Criminal Procedure by repealing the article related to interception and use of wire, oral, or electronic communications. No significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies is anticipated from this bill.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by the Texas Constitution. If the bill does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, it would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

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