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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: SB1723 by Gallegos (Relating to the hours of work of corrections officers employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to prohibit the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) from requiring corrections officers to work more hours during a calendar week than the number of hours in the normal workweek of the majority of other department employees. TDCJ would be allowed to require corrections officers to work additional hours only if the department determines an emergency exists requiring the additional hours and compensates the officer at a rate consistent with TDCJ personnel policy. 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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