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TO: Honorable Aaron Pena, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: HB62 by Leibowitz (Relating to the proximity of the residences of certain sex offenders or sexually violent predators to schools; imposing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure by prohibiting a registered sex offender whose victim was younger than 14 years of age, or a registered sex offender who is civilly committed, from residing within 1,000 feet of a public or private school campus. A violation of the proposed prohibition would be punishable as a felony of the third degree. The violation would also be considered to be a violation of the article of the Code of Criminal Procedure dealing with failure to comply with registration requirements. The bill would apply only to an offense committed on or after September 1, 2007.

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 or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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