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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: HB148 by Phillips (Relating to the eligibility of certain repeat sex offenders for release on parole.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Government Code by specifying conditions for which certain repeat sex offenders would not be eligible for release on parole. The change in law would apply only to an offense committed on or after September 1, 2007.

Given the proposal would apply to offenses committed on or after September 1, 2007, and that under current law and policy, individuals convicted of sexually violent offenses serve an average of 89% of their maximum term before being released, it is unlikely that the impact of the bill would be significant in the first five years following passage.

Local Government Impact

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

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