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TO: Honorable Jerry Madden, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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

IN RE: HB435 by Madden (Relating to the detection and monitoring of a cellular telephone in the possession of or used by an inmate or state jail defendant.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code by authorizing the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) inspector general to own electronic, mechanical, or other devices for the purpose of monitoring in a variety of methods, an inmate or state jail defendant's location and use of a cellular telephone who is confined in a TDCJ facility or a facility under contract with TDCJ.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice has determined that the costs associated with implementing the bill are not anticipated to be significant and would be absorbed with current resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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