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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: HB495 by Bonnen (Relating to the punishment for assault of emergency services personnel; imposing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by making the offense of assault punishable as a felony of the third degree if the offense is committed against emergency services personnel while the person is providing emergency services. For this analysis 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.

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