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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: HB1766 by Pena (Relating to the punishment for theft of aluminum, bronze, or copper wiring.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by making the theft of less than \$20,000 worth of insulated or non-insulated wire or cable that consists of at least 50 percent aluminum, bronze, or copper, punishable as a state jail felony. 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: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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