

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 12, 2007**

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

**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 Introduced**

**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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