

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB1773** by Escobar (Relating to requiring written notice before the introduction of certain evidence during the punishment phase of a criminal trial.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to requiring written notice before the introduction of certain evidence during the punishment phase of a criminal trial. The bill would provide that certain evidence described may not be admitted if the state prosecutor gives the defendant inadequate notice before convening the punishment phase of a criminal trial. To the extent the bill would amend time periods regarding adequate notice, the fiscal implication to the State is not anticipated to be significant. The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 211 Court of Criminal Appeals, 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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