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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: HB2307 by Talton (Relating to the creation of the offense of unauthorized use of an emergency communications device.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by creating the offense of unauthorized use of emergency communications device. The offense would be punishable as a Class A misdemeanor unless the actor during the commission of the offense interferes with the ability of a first responder to respond to an emergency, in which event the offense is a felony of the third degree.

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.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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