

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: SB536** by West, Royce (Relating to an offense committed against a homeless person because of bias or prejudice.), **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 an offense committed against a homeless person because of bias or prejudice. The bill proposes a definition for homelessness. According to the Office of the Attorney General, any additional prosecution of cases or monitoring of prosecution of cases as described under the bill could be absorbed within current resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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