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TO: Honorable Pete Gallego, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: HB717 by Riddle (Relating to the eligibility of certain sex offenders for parole.), **As Introduced**

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| No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would amend the Government Code relating to the requirement of an extraordinary vote for parole release of offenders convicted of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members of each house. If it does not receive the necessary vote for immediate effect, it would take effect on September 1, 2009.

Under current law and policy, and under the proposed bill, the average time served in prison by persons likely to be affected by the provisions of this bill is greater than five years. Therefore, no additional impact on demands on the adult corrections agencies are anticipated during the first five years following passage of the bill.

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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