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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: HB718 by Riddle (Relating to the applicability of certain laws to certain sex offenders.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure and Government Code relating to jury instructions in the penalty phase of a trial of a felony case, jury recommended community supervision, extraordinary vote for parole release, designated child safety zones, and parole supervision fees as they relate to certain sex offenders. The bill would amend the Penal Code relating to hindering apprehension or prosecution. The bill would also repeal Sec. 508.117(g)(2-a) of the Government Code defining sexual assault related to a parole panel and victim notification.

It is assumed the number of persons affected by the provisions of this bill would not result in a significant impact on 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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