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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: HB958 by Bonnen (Relating to the punishment for aggravated assault of emergency services personnel; imposing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code by making the offense of aggravated assault punishable as a felony of the first degree if the offense is committed against emergency services personnel while the person is providing emergency services.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2009 and apply to offenses committed on or after the effective date.

It is assumed the number of persons convicted under this statute 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.

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