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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: HB772 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 as it relates to jury instructions in the penalty phase of a trial of a felony case in which the punishment is to be assessed by the jury rather than the court. The bill would amend the Government Code by removing the offense of continuous sexual abuse of young child from extraordinary vote for parole release, designated child safety zone, and parole supervision fee provisions. 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. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2011.

The Board of Pardons and Paroles anticipates no fiscal impact from the bill. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice anticipates no significant fiscal impact from this bill, unless it has an impact on the offender population. For this analysis, it is assumed the bill 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, 697 Board of Pardons and Paroles

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