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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: HB825 by Anchia (Relating to protective orders for stalking victims.), **Committee Report**
1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, to create a protective order for victims of stalking. According to the Office of Court Administration, a stalker protective order would probably be used exclusively for stalking by strangers, since most stalkers are male and have had the type of an intimate partner relationship with their victims that already would qualify the victim for a protective order under the Family Code. To the extent the bill would result in additional protective orders, no significant increase in judicial workloads or fiscal implication to the state is anticipated. The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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