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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: SB116 by Uresti (Relating to protective orders against dating violence.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to protective orders safeguarding persons in dating relationships. The bill would amend the definition of dating violence to expand the number of situations in which the issuance of a protective order by a court would be appropriate. To the extent the bill would amend the definition of dating violence; the change is not anticipated to increase the workload of the courts statewide. The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds vote by houses. Otherwise, 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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