

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: SB152** by Huffman (Relating to the admissibility of evidence of other similar offenses in the prosecution of certain sexual offenses.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to provide that evidence of other similar offenses committed by the defendant shall be admitted in the trial of the alleged offense for any bearing the evidence has on relevant matters, including the character of the defendant. To the extent the bill would amend provisions relating to the rules of evidence, no significant impact on 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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