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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB899 by Perry (Relating to certain rights of victims, guardians of victims, and close relatives of deceased victims in the criminal justice system.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would provide that in capital murder cases, a close relative of the deceased victim or guardian of a victim may receive certain communications regarding victim outreach, avoid contact from certain entities without consent, and designate a victim service provider to receive all communications from any victim outreach specialist.

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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