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TO: Honorable Tan Parker, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1541 by Turner, Sylvester (Relating to a study on recidivism rates for certain juveniles committed to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would require the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), with assistance from the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) and the Department of Public Safety (DPS), to conduct a study to compare the impact of supervision, incarceration and treatment practices of TDCJ and TJJD on the recidivism and rehabilitation rates of certain youthful offenders. The youthful offenders subject to the study would be those certified as adults and committed to TDCJ, or committed to TJJD on a determinate sentence, and released from custody between September 1, 2001 and September 1, 2011.

TDCJ anticipates no significant fiscal impact to TDCJ from this bill. While DPS and TJJD estimated costs related to providing the information required by the bill's provisions, it is determined that DPS and TJJD can absorb their respective costs within existing agency resources.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds majority vote in each house, otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 644 Texas Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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