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TO: Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2517 by Springer (Relating to the authority of counties to require a person to notify a local fire department before starting an outdoor fire; creating a criminal penalty.), As Introduced

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to provide that a county may require a person to notify the fire department before starting an outdoor fire. An offense for a violation would be a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

Local Government Impact

There could be a revenue gain to a county for fines collected; however, the amounts would vary depending on the number of violations and the amount of the fine imposed.

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