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TO: Honorable Abel Herrero, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3197 by Gonzales, Larry (Relating to the prosecution of and conduct prohibited by the offense of improper relationship between educator and student.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Penal Code to include persons enrolled in a private primary or secondary school to the definition of the offense of improper relationship between educator and student. The bill also removes the requirement in current law under certain circumstances that the employee provides education services to students. This offense is punishable as a second degree felony.

The bill expands the definition of an offense and eliminates a requirement of an offense. This change is expected to increase demands on state correctional agency resources due to more individuals serving terms of community supervision, state correctional institution confinement, and/or parole. However, in the case of the bill, it is assumed that the number of offenders supervised or incarcerated under this statute would not significantly impact state correctional agencies' workload and programs.

Local Government Impact

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

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