

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** SB1428 by Hinojosa (Relating to the reformation of the sentences of juveniles convicted of capital felonies after being transferred to criminal court.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to amend sentences of imprisonment in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for life without parole to permit the possibility of parole if the defendant was certified and his/her case was transferred from juvenile court to criminal court.

Providing for the possibility of parole is expected to result in decreased demands upon the correctional resources of the state due to shorter terms of incarceration. For this analysis, it is assumed the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 696  
Department of Criminal Justice

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