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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB777 by Riddle (Relating to the punishment for the offense of indecent exposure.), As

Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to the punishment for indecent exposure. Under the provisions of the bill, indecent exposure would be punishable as a misdemeanor or a felony depending on the number of previous convictions. A previous conviction under the provisions of the bill would include an adjudication of guilt or a deferred adjudication regardless of whether the sentence was ever imposed or whether the sentence was probated and the defendant was subsequently discharged from community supervision. This analysis assumes the bill's provisions would not significantly impact state correctional agencies.

Local Government Impact

The offense of indecent exposure would in some cases be elevated to a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony. Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution, and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

Source Agencies:

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