

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**March 15, 2015**

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

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

**IN RE: HB1082** by Fletcher (Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of obstructing a highway or other passageway.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Penal Code to reclassify an offense of obstructing a highway or other passages from a Class B misdemeanor to a Class A misdemeanor if the actor used a device intended to hinder the removal of such obstruction.

A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both.

**Local Government Impact**

Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication.

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