

**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: HB1144** by Dukes (Relating to establishing a task force to examine the adjudication, disposition, and registration of juvenile sex offenders.), **As Engrossed**

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

The bill would establish a task force to study and make recommendations regarding the outcomes of juveniles adjudicated of sexual offenses. The bill describes certain duties of the task force, including the preparation of a report which is to be distributed no later than December 1, 2016. The task force would be abolished September 1, 2017. The bill would take effect immediately upon a two-thirds vote within each chamber, otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2016. The Juvenile Justice Department, Department of Family and Protective Services, Department of Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, and Office of Court Administration indicate that implementing the provisions of the bill could be achieved using existing resources. However, to the extent discretionary federal funds are unavailable, it is unclear if the Office of the Governor could implement the provisions of the bill within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 301 Office of the Governor, 302 Office of the Attorney General, 405 Department of Public Safety, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of, 644 Juvenile Justice Department

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