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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1286 by Simmons (Relating to the prosecution and punishment of the offense of injury to a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to the prosecution and punishment of the offense of injury to a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual. Under the provisions of the bill the definition of *disabled individual* would be expanded, the requirement that a disabled individual be older than 14 for purposes of the prosecution of the offense would be removed, and an additional defense to prosecution for this offense would be provided. This analysis assumes implementing the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant impact on state correctional agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

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