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TO: Honorable Carol Alvarado, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1872 by Murphy (Relating to the authority of general-law municipalities to restrict sex offenders from child safety zones in the municipality.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<p>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Local Government Code to permit the governing body of certain municipalities to restrict, by ordinance, a registered sex offender from going in, on, or within a specified distance of a child safety zone in the municipality. The bill would permit an ordinance to establish a distance requirement of not more than 1,000 feet. The bill provides definitions and an affirmative defense to prosecution of an offense under the ordinance. Under the provisions of the bill, the ordinance could establish procedures for a registered sex offender to apply for an receive an exemption from the ordinance. The bill would require an ordinance to exempt a registered sex offender who established residency in a residence located within the specified distance before the date of the ordinance was adopted.

Local Government Impact

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

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