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TO: Honorable Larry Phillips, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2806 by Lozano (Relating to the prosecution of and increasing the punishment for the offense of unlawful smuggling or concealment of persons; creating an offense.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code to change the name of the offense of smuggling of persons to the offense of unlawful smuggling or concealment of persons. The bill would add certain additional behaviors related to the smuggling of persons as punishable under the offense of unlawful smuggling or concealment of persons. The bill would also enhance the punishment for this offense from a state jail felony to a second degree felony. Depending on the circumstances of the offense, certain persons would be subject to a minimum imprisonment term of 10 years. This analysis assumes 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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