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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3089 by Galindo (Relating to fire protection sprinkler systems in residential high-rise buildings; creating a criminal offense.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to require certain municipalities and counties to adopt a standard for the installation of fire protection sprinkler systems in residential-high rise buildings. The bill would require an owner of an applicable residential high-rise building to provide notice of intent to comply to the municipality or county. The bill would permit the attorney general, a district attorney or a county attorney to bring an action for an injunction to enforce this chapter against a owner of a residential building not in compliance. The bill creates an offense, punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000, if an owner or an agent of the owner of a residential building that is not in compliance with the standards as set forth by the provisions of the bill.

The Office of Court Administration reported no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

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

Costs associated with enforcement and prosecution, and revenue gain from fines imposed and collected would vary depending on the number of offenses committed; however, the amounts are not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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