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TO: Honorable Phil King, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB968 by Metcalf (Relating to the prosecution of the offense of possessing a weapon in certain prohibited places associated with schools or postsecondary educational institutions.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to the prosecution of the offense of possessing a weapon in prohibited places. Under the provisions of the bill, possession of a weapon would be prohibited at a place where a school-sponsored activity is taking place only if the activity occurs at a place owned by and under the control of a school or postsecondary educational institution.

The Office of Court Administration does not anticipate a significant fiscal impact on the state court system from implementing the provisions of the bill.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions would not result in a significant impact on the demand for state correctional resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017 and apply only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of the Act.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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