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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1257 by Kacal (Relating to the prosecution of and punishment for the offense of criminal mischief involving property used for flood control purposes or a dam.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code to expand the list of behaviors that constitute criminal mischief. Under the provisions of the bill, causing whole or partial impairment or interruption of certain property would be punishable as a state jail felony.

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.

Local Government Impact

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

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