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TO: Honorable Joe Moody, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2529 by Meyer (Relating to a presumption that certain conduct constitutes force, fraud, or coercion for purposes of the offense of trafficking of persons.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to the offense of trafficking of persons. The bill would establish a rebuttable presumption to establish that force, fraud, or coercion was used in the offense of trafficking of persons.

The Office of Court Administration and Texas Department of Criminal Justice indicate the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant fiscal impact.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill addressing felony sanctions for criminal offenses would not result in a significant impact on the demand for state correctional resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017 and apply 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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