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TO: Honorable Jodie Laubenberg, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB3425** by Laubenberg (Relating to aid provided to certain voters; providing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code as it relates to aid provided to certain voters. Under the provisions of the bill, the offense of carrier envelope action by a person other than a voter would be expanded and this behavior would be punishable as a state jail felony.

The Secretary of State and Office of Court Administration do not anticipate a significant fiscal impact from implementing the provisions of the bill.

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 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, 307 Secretary of State, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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