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

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** SB1575 by Perry (Relating to the prosecution of the offenses of assault and harassment by persons committed to certain facilities; increasing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Penal Code relating to the prosecution of the offenses of assault and harassment by persons committed to certain facilities. Under the provisions of the bill, the definition of a civil commitment facility would be added to the Penal Code and certain offenses committed in those facilities or by residents of those facilities would be punishable as felonies.

The Office of Court Administration and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice indicate they do not anticipate a significant fiscal impact. 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 offenses 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, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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