

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1686** by Smith (Relating to the application for and duration of a protective order for victims of certain offenses; enhancing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend various codes relating to specific protective orders for victims of certain offenses and to punishments for violation of these protective orders. Under the provisions of the bill, certain violations of protective orders would now be punishable as a state jail felony. Violations of certain court orders are punishable at the misdemeanor and felony level with the punishment based on the specific circumstances of the offense.

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.

**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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