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TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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IN RE: **HB3512** by Pacheco (relating to conditions of community supervision and procedures applicable to the reduction or termination of a defendant's period of community supervision.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

The fiscal impact of implementing the bill is indeterminate due to the lack of data necessary to determine the number of people whose community supervision would be terminated early under the provisions of the bill. These data are necessary to estimate the fiscal impact of the bill's provisions.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure and Government Code as they relate to community supervision. Under the provisions of the bill, a judge would be allowed to reduce or terminate the period of community supervision under certain circumstances. Individuals with certain offenses involving family violence would now be eligible for time credits under the bill's provisions.

Reducing the period of community supervision under certain circumstances is expected to result in fewer demands upon the correctional resources of counties or of the state due to a decrease in the length of stay of individuals placed under community supervision and a subsequent decrease in the number of individuals under community supervision. Whether the bill would result in a significant fiscal impact cannot be determined due to the lack of data or information related to the number of people whose community supervision would be terminated early under the provisions of the bill. The Office of Court Administration indicates the modifications outlined in the bill's provisions will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the state court system.

Local Government Impact

Bell County anticipates no significant fiscal impact to the County.

Williamson County anticipates a fiscal impact to their county, including requiring at least one additional staff member, but is unable to determine the exact impact at this time.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304
 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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