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TO: Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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IN RE: HB3590 by Hunter (Relating to the prosecution of and punishment for certain trafficking and prostitution offenses and certain other consequences of those offenses; increasing criminal penalties.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code as it relates to the prosecution of and punishment for certain trafficking and prostitution offenses. Under the provisions of the bill, the list of behaviors for the prosecution of certain trafficking and prostitution offenses would be expanded and certain punishments would be increased. Under existing statute, these offenses are punishable as a state jail felony, a third degree felony, a second degree felony, and a first degree felony, depending upon the circumstances of the offense. The bill would also add Aggravated Promotion of Prostitution to the list of offenses for which sex offender registration is required.

The Office of Court Administration and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice indicate the modifications outlined in the bill's provisions 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 state correctional populations or 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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