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TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2248 by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to next generation 9-1-1 services provided through an Internet Protocol network and wireless service provider expense reimbursements for certain counties; imposing a fee.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code to allow certain Emergency Service Districts (ESDs) to impose and set certain fees related to 9-1-1 emergency services and would establish certain provisions related to those fees.

According to the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC), there would be no significant fiscal impact to the CSEC state level 9-1-1 program.

According to the Public Utility Commission, no fiscal implication is anticipated.

According to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the bill would have no significant fiscal impact on the state.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill related to criminal penalties would not result in a significant impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources.

Local Government Impact

According to the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network, additional revenue from the bill would allow the ESD to upgrade end-of-life analog technology to Next Generation 9-1-1 infrastructure. The ESD also states that additional revenue would ensure it could remain operational during disasters. The fiscal impact to other ESDs is anticipated to be similar.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 473 Public Utility Commission of Texas, 477 Comm/Emer Communicat

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