

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**March 30, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Andrew S. Murr, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3002** by Burns (Relating to a merchant allowing a person suspected of committing or attempting to commit theft to complete a theft education program.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to allow or require, under certain circumstances, a retail merchant to offer a person suspected of stealing or attempting to steal from the merchant an opportunity to complete a theft education program approved by the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) instead of reporting the person to the police.

Based on information provided by the Office of Court Administration and the OAG, any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill 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 Texas Association of Counties, no fiscal implication to counties is anticipated.

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