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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3875 by Crockett (Relating to a prohibition on prosecuting or referring to juvenile court certain persons for certain conduct constituting the offense of prostitution and to a change in terminology involving certain conduct constituting the offense of compelling prostitution.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend various codes as it relates to the offenses of prostitution and compelling prostitution or child sexual exploitation. Under the provisions of the bill, a child would not be referred to juvenile court and a person younger than 17 years at commission of offense would not be prosecuted for certain conduct related to prostitution. Additionally, causing by any means a child younger than 18 years to engage in sexual conduct for a fee in certain circumstances would be considered child sexual exploitation.

The Juvenile Justice Department, Office of Court Administration, and 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 implementing 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 Admin, 644 Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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