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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1833 by Shaheen (Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of criminal mischief involving a critical infrastructure facility or public power supply.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would increase the penalty for the offense of criminal mischief from a state jail felony to a third degree felony in cases of certain conduct involving a critical infrastructure facility or public power supply when the amount of pecuniary loss is less than \$30,000. The bill would increase the penalty for the offense of criminal mischief to a first or second degree felony in cases of certain conduct involving a critical infrastructure facility depending on the nature of the conduct and the amount of pecuniary damage.

While it is assumed that any fiscal impact and any impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources would not be significant, it would be dependent on the prevalence of conduct that would constitute an offense under the bill.

Local Government Impact

While it is assumed that any fiscal impact to units of local government associated with enforcement, prosecution, supervision, or confinement would not be significant, it would be dependent on the prevalence of conduct that would constitute an offense under the bill.

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

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