

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD  
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**TO:** Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

**IN RE: HB3553** by Thierry (Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of trafficking of persons if committed at certain locations.), **As Engrossed**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would increase the penalty for the offense of trafficking of persons to a first degree felony with a minimum 25 year term of imprisonment if the offense is committed within 1,000 feet of an institution of higher education or a private or independent institution of higher education. 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.

**Local Government Impact**

It is assumed that any fiscal impact to units of local government associated with enforcement, prosecution, supervision, or confinement would not be significant.

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

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