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TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB6 by Hughes (Relating to abortion, including civil liability for the manufacture and provision of abortion-inducing drugs, exemptions from the Texas Citizens Participation Act and Religious Freedom Restoration Act, authorizing civil and qui tam actions, amendments to the fee-shifting statute governing abortion litigation, immunity defenses and limits on state-court jurisdiction and relief, the parens patriae standing of the attorney general, and the jurisdiction of the Fifteenth Court of Appeals; providing for severability.), **As Introduced**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined due to the impact on the state court system and the extent to which state revenue would be impacted by changes in civil actions being unknown.

Among other provisions, the bill would establish certain prohibitions related to abortion-inducing drugs and would limit the enforcement of those prohibitions to a qui tam action. The bill would grant the Attorney General parens patriae standing to bring an action concerning this jurisdiction on behalf of unborn children of Texas residents and would authorize the Attorney General to bring an action for damages or injunctive relief on behalf of an unborn child of a Texas resident against a person who violates or intends to violate any state criminal abortion law, with certain exceptions, or any federal criminal law that governs the mailing, delivery, shipment, or transportation of abortion-inducing drugs.

It is assumed that any costs incurred by the Office of the Attorney General could be absorbed using existing resources.

According to the Office of Court Administration, the agency is unable to project the bill's fiscal impact on the state court system.

According to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the extent to which state revenue would be impacted by changes in civil actions cannot be estimated.

Local Government Impact

The fiscal implications of the bill to units of local government cannot be determined due to the impact on local courts and the extent to which local revenue would be impacted by changes in civil actions being unknown.

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