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TO: Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB268 by Landgraf (Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for making certain false reports and to restitution for emergency response costs associated with those false reports.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would increase the penalty for the offense of false alarm or report from a state jail felony to a third degree felony when the false report is of an emergency involving either public or private institutions of higher education or primary or secondary school.

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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