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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2073 by Hull (relating to increasing the criminal penalty for certain violations of certain court orders or conditions of bond in cases involving family violence, child abuse or neglect, sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking, or trafficking.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would increase the criminal penalty for the offense of violating certain court orders or conditions of bond in cases involving family violence, child abuse or neglect, sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking, or trafficking from a Class A misdemeanor to a state jail felony if it shown at trial that the defendant committed the violation while possessing a deadly weapon.

The bill would furthermore increase the criminal penalty for the offense of repeated violation of certain court orders or conditions of bond in cases involving family violence, child abuse or neglect, sexual assault or abuse, indecent assault, stalking, or trafficking from a third degree felony to a second degree felony if it shown at trial that at least one time the person engaged in the violation while possessing a deadly weapon.

While it is assumed that any state revenue impact would not be significant, it would be dependent on the number of offenses committed and the associated court costs.

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 number of defendants who may be prosecuted under the amended offenses.

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

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