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TO: Honorable Terry Keel, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2796 by Keel (Relating to the exercise of peremptory challenges based on race or gender.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the exercise of peremptory challenges based upon race or gender. The bill would allow both the state and the defendant to request that a judge dismiss an array of jurors. The bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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