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TO: Honorable Joe Nixon, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2813 by Giddings (Relating to public and common nuisances; providing a penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add to Chapter 125 of the Civil Practice and Remedies Code definitions for common and public nuisance. The bill would also make minor changes in the process for filing a suit to enjoin and abate a common nuisance. The Secretary of State indicates that any additional caseload could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2003 and apply only to a cause of action that accrues on or after that date.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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