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TO: Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB788 by Hardcastle (Relating to the jurisdiction of the district court and the transfer of cases from the county courts in the 50th Judicial District to the district court.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to transfer all criminal jurisdiction, except for the ability to receive and enter guilty pleas in misdemeanor cases, from the constitutional county courts in Baylor, Cottle, King, and Knox counties to the 50th Judicial District Court.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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

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