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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

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

IN RE: HB967 by Haggerty (Relating to administration of the criminal justice information system.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure by 1) requiring a court judgment to include the defendant's state identification number and incident number if those numbers have been assigned at the time of the judgment; 2) requiring a court entering a felony judgment to use the standardized felony judgment form promulgated by the Office of Court Administration; 3) removing the county data processing department from the list of departments to receive subsequent arrest information on individuals from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and the Department of Public Safety; and 4) requiring the Department of Public Safety to publish monthly on its website or other electronic publication a report listing each arrest by local jurisdiction for which there is no corresponding final court disposition.

The bill would also amend the Transportation Code to require the Department of Public Safety to accept, as satisfactory proof of identity for an application for an original license, an offender identification card or similar form of identification issued to an inmate by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

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

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