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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB450 by Wentworth (Relating to the confidentiality of certain personal information regarding the employees of a prosecutor's office.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 552.1175, Government Code, to allow employees of a district attorney, criminal district attorney, or county attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law matters to request that certain personal information be kept confidential in public records. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2005.

The applicable employees would be responsible for submitting the request. The government entity for whom they work or other government entity with whom they submit a request would be responsible for maintaining the requested confidentiality, which would result in some administrative actions. Documents filed in tax appraisal records and filed with a county clerk or a district clerk are exempt from the requirements of Section 552.1175, Government Code.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies:

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