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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

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

IN RE: HB1572 by Woolley (Relating to an exception from civil discovery for certain records of a law enforcement agency.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code relating to an exception from civil discovery for certain records of a law enforcement agency. The bill would direct a court to exclude a nonparty law enforcement agency from providing information, records, documents or other evidence in response to discovery unless a court has found the requested materials are relevant in a judicial proceeding. To the extent change court procedures regarding discovery, no significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives two-thirds the vote of all members; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

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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