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FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

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TO: Honorable Aaron Pena, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: HB1577 by Laubenberg (Relating to certain challenges for cause in criminal cases.), As

Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to certain challenges for cause in criminal cases. The bill would prevent the State or the defense from challenging a juror for cause if the juror indicates the juror could not recommend community supervision for a defendant under certain conditions. To the extent the bill would amend procedures relating to challenging jurors, no significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. 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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