

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB2259** by Hardcastle (Relating to the evidentiary use of certain judgments, orders, and docket sheets in a criminal case.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the evidentiary use of certain judgments, orders and docket sheets in a criminal case. The bill would direct a court other than a justice or municipal court to maintain under certain conditions a record of a defendant's thumb or finger print or other information to identify the defendant. The record could be used to charge a defendant with perjury under certain conditions. To the extent the bill would amend court procedures regarding the use of documents in court proceedings; 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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