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

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

IN RE: SB263 by Ellis (Relating to the creation of a commission to investigate and prevent wrongful convictions.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would create the Texas Innocence Commission to investigate all postconviction exonerations and all colorable allegations that an innocent person has been executed.

Appointed members of the commission are not entitled to compensation but are entitled to reimbursement of the members travel expenses. The Texas Legislative Council, the Legislative Budget Board, and The University of Texas at Austin shall assist the commission in performing the commission's duties.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 103 Legislative Council, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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