

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 5, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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

**IN RE: SB549** by Hegar (Relating to the authority of a visiting judge for a district court to conduct proceedings at the county seat of a county other than the county in which a case is pending.),  
**As Introduced**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Government Code by authorizing a visiting judge for a district court to conduct proceedings at the county seat of a county other than the county in which a case is pending when all parties to the pending case have signed a written agreement and the district judge for the district approves. The bill would take effect only if the constitutional amendment proposed by the Eightieth Legislature, Regular Session, 2007 (Senate Joint Resolution 22) were to pass and be approved by the voters.

**Local Government Impact**

A court may experience some additional expenses in rearranging dockets and records. However, no significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**

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