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

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

IN RE: HB396 by Hartnett (Relating to expunction of a notice of lis pendens.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Property Code relating to expunction of a notice of lis pendens. The bill would set the parameters under which motions to expunge lis pendens must be filed along with setting criteria on which courts can rule. To the extent the bill would amend filing guidelines and court procedures, the rules change is not anticipated to increase the workload of the courts. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

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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