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TO: Honorable Yvonne Davis, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

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

IN RE: HB2725 by Woolley (Relating to the posting by a governmental entity on an Internet website of information relating to certain business relationships and to venue for and prosecution by the attorney general of offenses related to the disclosure of those relationships.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would impose a calendar deadline for online postings of Conflict Disclosure Statements, which relate to certain employment or other business relationships between members of local governmental bodies and vendors, and would direct that the information be posted in an electronically searchable format. The bill specifies venue for prosecution and provides that the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) would have concurrent jurisdiction with a local county or district attorney (with their consent) to investigate or prosecute offenses under Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code.

The OAG anticipates any legal work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed with current resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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