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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: SB414 by Carona (Relating to conducting by electronic means a hearing to determine a defendant's ability to discharge certain fines and court costs.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to provide judges with the option of conducting hearings on non-payment of court costs via an electronic broadcast system.

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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