## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

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TO: Honorable Pete Gallego, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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

**IN RE: SB1916** by West (Relating to the automatic expunction of arrest records and files after an individual receives a pardon or a grant of certain other relief with respect to the offense for which the individual was arrested.), **As Engrossed** 

## No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to require a trial court to enter an expunction order if the defendant is subsequently pardoned or a grant of certain other relief, within 30 days of receiving notice of the pardon. The order must include a list of each entity of the state believed to hold any record or file that is subject to the order, and it must request that all records and files subject to the expunction order be returned to the court. The court must retain the records and files until the statute of limitations has run for any civil case or proceeding relating to the wrongful imprisonment of the person subject to the expunction order. The analysis assumes that the bill would pose no significant fiscal impact to the state.

## **Local Government Impact**

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

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