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TO: Honorable Jim Jackson, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: HB274 by Creighton (Relating to attorney's fees, early dismissal, expedited trials, and the reform of certain remedies and procedures in civil actions.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to reform certain remedies and procedures relating to civil litigation including attorney's fees, early dismissal and expedited trials.

The Supreme Court would be required to adopt rules regarding an expedited and fair resolution of non-meritorious cases.

According to the Office of Court Administration (OCA), the provisions of the bill would be procedural steps and would not have a significant impact on the court's resources or staff.

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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