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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: HB720 by Hartnett (Relating to the designation of a person as a vexatious litigant.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to permit explicitly a person who has been found to be a vexatious litigant subject to a pre-filing order to appeal the pre-filing order to a court of appeals. To the extent the bill would increase filings in the courts of appeals; no significant increase is anticipated to the workloads of the appellate courts statewide. The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

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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