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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: HB1973 by Lucio III (Relating to the admissibility of certain statements in the prosecution of murder or capital murder.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the admissibility of certain statements in the prosecution of murder or capital murder. The proposed amendment would make statements obtained under certain conditions not be subject to challenge based upon the hearsay rule. To the extent the bill would amend court procedures, no significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives two-thirds the vote of all members in both houses. Otherwise, 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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