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TO: Honorable Royce West, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1435 by Darby (Relating to certain notices, reports, and descriptions provided by or filed with court and county clerks.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Family Code, the Government Code, and the Health and Safety Code to provide requirements regarding certain notices, reports, and descriptions provided by or filed with court and county clerks. On request, a victim assistance coordinator may provide the clerk of the court with information or other assistance necessary for the clerk to comply with Article 46C.003. The Office of Court Administration would be required to adopt the form as defined by the provisions of the bill.

The bill would remove the Class C misdemeanor offense which currently exists for a clerk who fails to report the disposition of a case. A county clerk would be required to record descriptions and notices submitted by a council of governments, and make the descriptions and notices available for public inspection.

The Office of Court Administration reported no significant fiscal impact is anticipated. The Office of the Attorney General anticipates any additional work as a result of the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed with current resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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