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TO: Honorable Abel Herrero, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2227 by Wu (Relating to sworn affidavits provided to support the issuance of a search warrant.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would allow a magistrate to accept a sworn statement to support a search warrant provided by telephone or certain other means. The bill would require the magistrate or the magistrate's designee to fully document the sworn affidavit provided by telephone. The bill would allow a magistrate or magistrate's designee to electronically record and preserve any statement communicated under article 18.01(b), Code of Criminal Procedure. The Office of Court Administration does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact to the court system resulting from the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 405
Department of Public Safety

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