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TO: Honorable Tryon D. Lewis, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2772** by Rodriguez, Justin (Relating to an interim study regarding the method by which district judges and appellate justices and judges are selected.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would establish a joint interim committee to study and report on state judicial selection methods. The bill specifies that the committee consists of five senators and five representatives, and charges the Texas Legislative Council with providing support to the committee, including research, drafting, and analysis. The bill specifies that senate and house contingent expense funds shall reimburse committee member expenses. The bill requires that the committee report their findings no later than January 6, 2015, and specifies that the committee is abolished January 12, 2015.

The Office of Court Administration does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact to the court system resulting from the bill. The Texas Legislative Council does report that any additional workload resulting from the bill could be absorbed within existing resources and does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact. It is not anticipated that the bill will result in a significant fiscal impact to either the senate or the house.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 103 Legislative Council, 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas
Judicial Council

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