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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB947 by Nelson (Relating to adverse possession of real property as a defense to certain offenses against property.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Penal Code to specify that subject to existing statutory requirements, it is not a defense to a prosecution for burglary that the actor is attempting to take ownership of property through an adverse possession claim. It is not anticipated that the bill would result in any significant fiscal impact to the court system. The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

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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