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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1044 by Rodríguez (Relating to access to criminal history record information by a public defender's office and the office of capital writs and to an exemption for those offices from fees imposed for processing inquiries for that information.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 411 of the Government Code relating to access to criminal history record information by a public defender's office and the office of capital writs and to an exemption for those offices from fees imposed for processing inquiries for that information. It is assumed that implementing the provisions of the bill can be absorbed within the existing resources of the affected agencies. It is also assumed that any general revenue savings resulting from implementing the provisions of the bill would not be significant. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

The Texas Association of Counties reported that the bill is projected to provide savings for counties, but that amount of savings could not be determined.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety, 644 Texas Juvenile Justice Department, 696 Department of Criminal Justice, 697 Board of Pardons and Paroles, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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