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TO: Honorable Jim Murphy, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB643 by Harless (relating to the procedures for discharging bail in certain criminal proceedings.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure regarding procedures for discharging bail when an indictment or information has not been presented against a defendant in a certain period of time to add a new subsection clarifying that a court shall dismiss the prosecution and discharge the defendant's bail on its own motion or motion of the defendant or state's attorney.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing 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

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