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TO: Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1334 by Clardy (Relating to the appeal of a residential eviction suit.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Property Code to permit a landlord to contest the sufficiency of an appeal bond or the financial ability of a surety to pay the bond in a justice court. The tenant could appeal the justice court decision to a county court. The bill would require a justice court to provide two written notices to the tenant at the time an appeal bond is filed.

The Office of Court Administration reported no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated.

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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