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TO: Honorable John Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on General Investigating & Ethics

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3682 by Geren (Relating to the categorization and resolution of violations of laws enforced by the Texas Ethics Commission.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Government Code to amend the categorization of reporting violations with the Ethics Commission and to require the Commission resolve reporting violations in the form corresponding to the type of violation committed. The Ethics Commission would be required to adopt rules necessary to implement the bill no later than December 1, 2015. It is anticipated that any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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