

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** SB487 by Ellis (Relating to postconviction forensic DNA analysis. ), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, relating to post conviction DNA analysis. The bill would authorize a motion and order for DNA-testing of evidence when there is a reasonable likelihood of the evidence containing biological material.

The Office of Court Administration indicates that bill provisions are not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication on the court system. In this analysis, it is assumed the Department of Public Safety could reasonably absorb bill provisions within the department's 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, 405  
Department of Public Safety

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