

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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:** SB1116 by West (Relating to a notice or document sent by mail or electronic mail by a court, justice, judge, magistrate, or clerk of a judicial court.), **As Engrossed**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Government Code to permit a court, justice, judge, magistrate, or clerk to send any notice or document using mail or electronic mail to an email address registered with the state electronic filing system or one provided by the person. The bill would define specific types of mail and communications that could be delivered electronically or that would qualify as "electronic mail." 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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