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TO: Honorable Joe Moody, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB557** by Collier (relating to the procedure for expunction of arrest records and files for certain persons who are tried for an offense and subsequently acquitted.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to authorize an acquitted individual, or an attorney for the state acting with the consent of the acquitted individual, to request an expunction order. The bill would define under what conditions either the attorney for the acquitted individual, or the attorney for the state, shall prepare the order of expunction for the court's signature. It is assumed any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal impact to local courts is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 405 Department of Public Safety

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