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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: HB1258 by Clardy (Relating to information publicly available in an electronic court record database.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to prohibit a person or governmental entity from operating an electronic court record database that is available to the public and contains court documents electronically filed with a county court, statutory county court, or district court unless the clerk of the court enters into a written agreement with the person or entity authorizing access and the commissioners court in the county approves the agreement. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and Department of Information Resources, 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, 313
Department of Information Resources

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