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March 21, 2017

TO: Honorable Sarah Davis, Chair, House Committee on General Investigating & Ethics

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1384 by Davis, Sarah (Relating to contributions and expenditures made in connection with a campaign for speaker of the house of representatives.), **As Introduced**

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| <p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p> |
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The bill would amend the Government Code to repeal sections related to contributions and expenditures made in connection with a campaign for speaker of the House of Representatives. The bill would also remove the knowing acceptance of a contribution to a speaker candidate from an organization from the current list of Class A misdemeanor offenses. The provisions of the bill are not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving A two-thirds majority vote in each house. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

The bill would repeal a class A Misdemeanor. A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both. Lost revenue from reduced fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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