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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3237 by Moody (Relating to when search warrant affidavits become public information.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to clarify that a sworn affidavit setting forth probable cause when a search warrant is requested becomes public information when the search warrant at issue is executed, unless disclosure is otherwise restricted by law. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished using 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 **LBB Staff:** UP, KJo, PBO, JGA