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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1196 by Kolkhorst (Relating to the declaration of a common nuisance involving a computer network or web address.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code as it relates to common and public nuisances. The bill would include websites and computer networks connected with certain prohibited activities as common nuisances and would enable individuals, the attorney general, or government bodies to bring suit to declare that a person is operating a web address or computer network that is a common nuisance.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

According to the Texas Association of Counties, the fiscal impact to counties to implement the provisions of the bill is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of

the Attorney General

LBB Staff: UP, KJo, JJ, AKU, RC, JGA