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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: SB1911 by Zaffirini (Relating to posting notice of self-help resources on the Internet website of a state court and in the office of the court clerk.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to require the Office of Court Administration, in consultation with the Texas Access to Justice Foundation, to designate a self-help website with information regarding referral services, references or links to Legal Aid offices, legal self-help centers, and the state law library. The bill would also require the clerk of each court to post a conspicuous link to the website on the court's website. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, 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

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