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TO: Honorable Jeff Leach, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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IN RE: HB435 by Shaheen (Relating to the maintenance of information entered into a fee record.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to make assessed civil court costs under certain circumstances uncollectible if the fee has been unpaid for 20 years and would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to remove the population limit on counties eligible to classify a fee assessed in a criminal action as uncollectible. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished with existing resources. Based on the analysis of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the amount of court fee and cost collections that could be reduced due to a court order that the fee is uncollectible would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304
 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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