

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB549** by Canales (Relating to an objection to the judge assigned in a criminal case.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Government Code to allow parties in criminal cases to file a timely objection to a retired or former judge assigned to a trial court. 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.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

**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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