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TO: Honorable Nicole Collier, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

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IN RE: HB1216 by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to orders of nondisclosure for certain victims of trafficking of persons or compelling prostitution.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to expand nondisclosure based on human trafficking victimization and entitle a victim of human trafficking to be informed of the victim's right to petition the court for an order of nondisclosure. The bill would require the Office of Court Administration, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, to develop and make available an online form for this order on nondisclosure no later than December 1, 2019.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and the Office of the Attorney General, 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

According to the district clerks in Chambers County, Caldwell County and Hidalgo County, no significant fiscal impact on their counties is anticipated.

The District Clerk in Tom Green County anticipates possible significant fiscal impact on their county due to potential increased workload resulting from provisions of the bill, however the impact cannot be determined at this time.

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

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