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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2730 by Leach (Relating to civil actions involving the exercise of certain constitutional rights.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to revise procedures for the dismissal of lawsuits based upon or arising from the exercise of the right to petition government, speak freely, and associate freely.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be covered within 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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