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TO: Honorable Charlie Geren, Chair, House Committee on House Administration

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

IN RE: HB3040 by Hunter (relating to an interim study by the Texas Commission on Judicial Selection regarding the method by which certain trial and appellate judges are selected.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB3040, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted: a negative impact of (\$373,190) through the biennium ending August 31, 2021.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2020	(\$188,841)
2021	(\$184,349)
2022	\$0
2023	\$0
2024	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2019
2020	(\$188,841)	2.0
2021	(\$184,349)	2.0
2022	\$0	0.0
2023	\$0	0.0
2024	\$0	0.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would create the Texas Commission on Judicial Selection to study and review the method by which statutory county court judges (including statutory probate court judges), district judges, and appellate justices and judges are selected for office in Texas. The Commission consists of 15 members. The Office of Court Administration (OCA) would provide administrative

support to the Commission.

Methodology

OCA estimates the need for a researcher and a data analyst (judicial information specialist) to write reports, coordinate meetings, analyze data and provide other resources and support. This analysis does not account for any reimbursement of travel expenses requested by the commission members.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 103 Legislative Council, 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas
Judicial Council

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