# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director

Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3305 by Smithee (Relating to personal information that may be omitted from certain property records and political reports and to other court security measures.), As Introduced

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

The bill would amend the Election Code to require the Texas Ethics Commission to remove or redact a judge's residential address from certain reports. The bill would amend the Government Code to require the Office of Court Administration to submit an annual report to the Legislature and to make recommendations regarding security activities and information involving judges. The bill would amend the Property Code to direct county clerks to omit or redact from online documents certain personal information related to judges. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and the Texas Ethics Commission, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished using existing resources.

### **Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 356 Texas

**Ethics Commission** 

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