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TO: Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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IN RE: HB3800 by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to the investigation and prosecution of criminal offenses involving the trafficking of persons.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to require attorneys representing the State in certain jurisdictions and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to file a report to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) on any investigations of human trafficking offenses. OAG would be required to adopt rules to administer this reporting program and to contract with a public or private institution of higher education partner to analyze data generated from the required reports. The bill would require counties with populations of more than 500,000 people and DPS to comply beginning August 1, 2020, and counties with populations of less than 500,000 but more than 50,000 people to comply beginning August 1, 2021.

The bill would also amend the Code of Criminal Procedure relating to the investigation and prosecution of human trafficking cases.

According to the Department of Public Safety, no fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

According to the Office of Court Administration (OCA), no significant impact to the State court system is anticipated.

Based on analysis by the Office of the Attorney General, it is assumed that the provisions of the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

According to OCA, no significant impact to local courts is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General, 405 Department of Public Safety

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