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TO: Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

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

IN RE: **SB395** by Zaffirini (Relating to certain notice requirements and filing requirements in court proceedings involving persons with mental illness.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code by removing the timeline requirement for a person with a mental illness to submit original signed copies of reproduced, photocopied, or electronically transmitted paper filed with the county clerk and provides that a person must maintain possession of the original signed copies and make them available for inspection on request of the court. The bill would require that notice may be given, as required under the Texas Mental Health Code, by personal delivery by a constable or county sheriff. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, 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

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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