

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 7, 2025

TO: Honorable Bryan Hughes, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB2459 by Creighton (relating to the protection of personal identifying information of certain persons in the judicial system; authorizing a civil right of action; creating criminal offenses.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined due to the cost of an adequate system to facilitate the process by which an at-risk individual may request the removal of certain information published online being unknown.

The Office of Court Administration is required to implement the provisions of the bill only if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the agency may, but is not required to, implement the provisions of the bill using other appropriations for that purpose.

The bill would amend Government Code related to the protection of personal identifying information of certain at-risk individuals as defined by the bill.

The Office of Court Administration estimates the cost to implement a system to facilitate the process by which an at-risk individual may request the removal of certain information published online could range from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000, depending on the level of complexity and number of features required.

It is assumed that any impact on state correctional populations or on the demand for state correctional resources would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

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

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

LBB Staff: JMc, WP, DA, JPa, KDw, NTh