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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2096 by Thompson (Relating to the filing of writs of habeas corpus in mental health cases.), **As Engrossed**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code relating to the filing of writs of habeas corpus in mental health cases. The bill would require a petition for a writ of habeas corpus to be filed in the court of appeals for which the trial court's order is entered, rather than being filed in the court of appeals within which the facility itself is located. No significant fiscal impact to the state is anticipated.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote in each house, otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

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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