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TO: Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, Senate
Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB189 by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to the statute of limitations for a suit for personal injury arising from certain offenses constituting sexual abuse of a child or for certain sexual assault offenses.), **Conference Committee Report**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to define the types of conduct for which a person may bring suit for personal injury not later than 15 years after the day the cause of action accrues and types of conduct for which a person may bring suit for personal injury not later than five years after the day the cause of action accrues. The bill would also amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to eliminate the statute of limitations for aggravated sexual assault crimes and for sexual assault crimes if probable cause exists that the defendant committed the same or a similar sexual offense against five or more victims. Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing 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

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