LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 24, 2017

TO: Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2221 by Schofield (Relating to a limitation on the amount of attorney's fees awarded in a case assigned to a special three-judge district court.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to restrict the awarding of attorney's fees to no more than \$250,000 in a case assigned to a special three-judge district court. 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

LBB Staff: UP, LBO, GDz, AG