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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1215 by Hughes (Relating to responsibility for the consequences of defects in the plans, specifications, or other documents for the construction or repair of an improvement to real property.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Business and Commerce Code exempting a contractor from liability for certain defects in plans, specifications, or other design or bid documents provided to the contractor by the person or person's proxy with whom the contractor has entered into the contract.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

According to Texas Municipal League, the fiscal impact cannot be determined because it will depend on the particular circumstances with each building project but could be significant in some cases.

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