Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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BILL:	**H.B. 219**	DATE:	**January 28, 2008**
STATUS:	**As Introduced**	SPONSOR:	**Rep. Patton**

LOCAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED: **No — No local cost**

CONTENTS: **To create a testimonial privilege for communications between a representative of an employee organization and a bargaining unit member**

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill expands the current testimonial privilege law by providing that a representative of an employee organization cannot testify in any civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding concerning a communication between the representative and a bargaining unit member made while the representative was acting on behalf of the employee organization. Employee organizations are any labor unions or bona fide organizations in which employees participate and that exist to deal with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, hours, terms, and other conditions of employment. Please read the LSC bill analysis for further detail on these provisions and exceptions where this testimonial privilege does not apply. None of the provisions in the bill appear to have any new state or local costs.

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