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TO: Honorable Robert Puente, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB919 by Eiland (Relating to the review and approval of a subdivision of land by certain

special districts.), As Introduced

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Water Code to authorize certain special districts to require that a property developer who proposes to subdivide land located in the district submit for district approval a drainage report for the subdivision. The district would be required to review the report and notify the developer by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the district's approval or disapproval of the report.

A municipality or county authority with responsibility for approving plats may not approve a plat of a proposed subdivision that is subject to the requirements set by the special district until each affected district has approved the drainage report.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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