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TO: Honorable Terry Keel, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1428 by Keel (Relating to the prosecution of a criminal case in which a spousal relationship exists between the attorney representing the state and the attorney representing the defendant.), **As Introduced**

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| No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill amends Article 2.08 of the Code of Criminal Procedure by adding subsection (b), which states, "A spousal relationship between an attorney representing the state and an attorney representing a defendant is not a cause for disqualification unless otherwise required by this code, the constitution of this state or the constitution of the United States." The act takes effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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