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TO: Honorable Allan Ritter, Chair, House Committee on Pensions & Investments

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2358 by Deshotel (Relating to the establishment of credit in the Employees Retirement System of Texas for military service.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2358, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$1,007,982) through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	(\$503,991)
2005	(\$503,991) (\$503,991)
2006	(\$503,991)
2007	(\$503,991)
2008	(\$503,991)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/ (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1	Probable Savings/ (Cost) from GR DEDICATED ACCOUNTS 994	Probable Savings/ (Cost) from OTHER SPECIAL STATE FUNDS 998	Probable Savings/ (Cost) from FEDERAL FUNDS 555
2004	(\$503,991)	(\$52,884)	(\$5,620)	(\$180,684)
2005	(\$503,991)	(\$52,884)	(\$5,620)	(\$180,684)
2006	(\$503,991)	(\$52,884)	(\$5,620)	(\$180,684)
2007	(\$503,991)	(\$52,884)	(\$5,620)	(\$180,684)
2008	(\$503,991)	(\$52,884)	(\$5,620)	(\$180,684)

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/ (Cost) from STATE HIGHWAY FUND 6
2004	(\$137,925)
2005	(\$137,925)
2006	(\$137,925)
2007	(\$137,925)
2008	(\$137,925)

Fiscal Analysis

This bill would allow members of the retirement system to purchase military service for service in the Texas National Guard or the reserves of the U.S. Armed Forces at a rate of one month for each three months served. Currently, members can purchase military service for active federal duty as a member of the Armed Services of the United States. Because the state is required to provide the 6 percent retirement contribution for any service purchased by members of the retirement system, this bill could cause an increase in state contribution costs.

Methodology

During the past two years, the state retirement contribution for the purchase of active military service has averaged \$1,762,108. Assuming that purchases of Texas National Guard and reserve service cost 50 percent of the amount for active military service, the estimated biennial cost of the increased state contribution from All Funds would be \$1,762,210, and the estimated cost to the General Revenue Fund would be \$1,007,983.

Technology

None.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 327 Employees Retirement System, 406 Texas
Military Facilities CommissionLBB Staff:JK, JO, RR, ZS, MS