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**TO:** Honorable Glenn Lewis, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HJR75** by Chisum (Proposing a constitutional amendment to allow the creation, by local option election, of the office of county senior citizens advisor. ), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated**, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$85,275.

The resolution would propose a constitutional amendment to require a county commissioners court, upon receipt of a valid petition, to hold an election to create the office of senior citizen advisor. The proposed constitutional amendment would be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2003.

**Local Government Impact**

If the constitutional amendment passes, a county would incur the costs of holding an election if presented with a petition. According to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, data collected from the Secretary of State indicates the average cost for holding a uniform election is \$0.89 per registered voter. The cost of an election would vary by county, depending on the number of registered voters.

The county would also incur costs for reimbursing the elected advisor for expenses incurred in performing the duties of senior citizen advisor. The fiscal impact would vary depending on expenses incurred; however, the fiscal impact is not anticipated to be significant.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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