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TO: Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HJR84 by Uresti (Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the filling of a temporary vacancy in a public office created by the activation for military service of a public officer.), **As Passed 2nd House**

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 bill would amend Article XVI of the Texas Constitution by adding Section 72. This new section would state that an elected or appointed officer of the state or of any political subdivision who enters active duty in the armed forces of the United States as a result of being called to duty, does not vacate the office held, but the appropriate authority shall appoint the temporary acting officer to begin service on the date specified in writing by the officer being temporarily replaced as the date the officer will enter active military service. For members of the legislature, the applicable house by majority vote shall appoint a temporary acting representative or senator.

This proposed constitutional amendment would be submitted to voters at an election to be held September 13, 2003.

Local Government Impact

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

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