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TO: Honorable Frank Madla, Chair, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB148 by Harper-Brown (Relating to the probationary period of persons appointed to beginning positions in certain fire or police departments.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to authorize the civil service commission to by rule extend the probationary period by not longer than six months of a person who is not employed by a department in which a collective bargaining agreement or meet-and-confer agreement currently exists and who must attend a basic training academy necessary for initial certification as a firefighter or police officer. Under current statute, the minimum required probationary period is one year.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives the required two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2005. The provisions of the bill would apply only to persons employed as a firefighter or police officer on or after the effective date.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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