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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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IN RE: HB831 by Gonzales (Relating to the eligibility of certain appellate judges to retire with full benefits.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend one retirement eligibility provision in the Judicial Retirement System Plan II (JRS II), allowing judges to retire after reaching age plus years of service equals at least 70 if they have 12 years of service in an appellate court. Currently this provision requires two full terms on an appellate court. Since a term is six years, this is not expected to have a material effect on JRS II.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 327 Employees Retirement System

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