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## **February 28, 2005**

**TO:** Honorable Craig Eiland, Chair, House Committee on Pensions & Investments

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

**IN RE: HB1114** by Nixon (Relating to contributions by and benefits for certain members and retirees under the Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan Two.), **As Introduced** 

#### No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The proposal would increase benefits for members of the Judicial Retirement System Plan II (JRS II). This will increase long-term costs to the state. The fund currently has a surplus, and the JRS II actuary did not calculate any additional required contributions for the 2006-07 biennium.

The above analysis does not consider the combined impact with a judicial salary increase. The plan assumes annual 4 percent salary increases; however if an increase were larger, it could reduce the actuarial surplus, and the plan might require additional contributions to remain actuarially sound.

#### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 327 Employees Retirement System

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