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TO: Honorable Allan Ritter, Chair, House Committee on Economic Development

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

IN RE: HB1937 by Ritter (Relating to the authority of certain counties to create county assistance districts for certain purposes.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would expand the criteria that a county must meet to be eligible to create a county assistance district. The result would be to authorize additional counties with a population of less than 45,000 to call for an election to create a county assistance district, if the county commissioners court so chooses. The bill would also add the promotion of economic development and tourism to the purpose for which a district may be created.

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.

Local Government Impact

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

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