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TO: Honorable Mary Denny, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: HB1994 by Talton (Relating to the offense of assisting multiple voters who cast a ballot by mail.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would create as a Class B misdemeanor the act of, in the same election, assisting more than one voter casting a ballot by mail unless the person providing assistance is an early voting clerk, deputy early voting clerk acting in that capacity, or is a person related to each additional assisted voter as a parent, grandparent, spouse, child, or sibling. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated from enforcement, prosecution, or punishment for the offense.

Source Agencies: LBB Staff: JOB, DLBa