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TO: Honorable Kino Flores, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

IN RE: HB3033 by Solis (relating to licensing of attorneys.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 82 of the Government Code relating to licensing of attorneys. The bill would not allow the supreme court to adopt rules regarding the eligibility of an applicant for examination for a license to practice law that prohibit the applicant from taking the examination after failing a specified number of previous examinations. The bill would allow an exemption from examination for certain attorneys after disbarment, provided the attorney was licensed for at least 20 years before the disbarment and was in good standing. The bill would allow an attorney licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction to be admitted to practice law in Texas without examination if the attorney meets certain conditions. The supreme court indicates implementation of the bill would have no fiscal implication to the court; accordingly, no fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 201 Supreme Court of Texas

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