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TO: Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: SB1578 by Duncan (Relating to jurisdiction and venue in condemnation proceedings.), As Introduced

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Property Code to specify that district courts and county courts at law have concurrent jurisdiction in eminent domain cases in every county and to specify where a party initiating a condemnation proceeding must file the petition. 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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