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TO: Honorable Leo Berman, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: HB343 by Naishtat (Relating to notification of voter registrar by probate court clerk of recent deaths.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code relating to notification of voter registrar by probate court clerk of recent deaths. To the extent the bill would amend court procedures, no fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

Implementing the provisions of the bill would result in moderate costs to local entities. Dallas County reported that they would be required to add one full-time clerk position to handle the increased responsibilities at a cost of approximately \$34,000 per year. Bexar County would need to add one additional full-time position at a cost of approximately \$45,000, which includes salary, benefits, and capital outlay.

The Travis County Clerk reported moderate costs to implement the provisions of the bill, due to the necessary forwarding of applications not pertaining to deceased persons.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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