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TO: Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

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

IN RE: HB556 by Hilderbran (Relating to voting station requirements for elections held by the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would allow the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, under certain circumstances, to use a voting station that does not meet the requirements for accessibility under 42 U.S.C. Section 15481(a)(3). The board of directors would be required in that circumstance to notify the Secretary of State if the district does not provide at least one voting station at each polling place used in the election that meets the 42 U.S.C. Section 15481(a)(3) requirements.

The bill would take effect immediately if it were to receive the required two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

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