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TO: Honorable Edmund Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

IN RE: HB2591 by Thompson (relating to the regulation of property tax consultants.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) to adopt a competency examination for registration as a property tax consultant and establish standards for grading and passing the examination. The bill would also prohibit certain general and legal actions by property tax consultants. The bill would require the TDLR to adopt rules to align existing rules with the provisions of the bill and to offer the property tax consultant examination.

TDLR indicates that there would be some cost to implement the provisions of the bill, but these costs are expected to be absorbed within the agency's existing budget.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation

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