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TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

IN RE: HB3358 by Turner, Sylvester (Relating to allowing municipal or county housing authorities in certain counties to create housing communities for veterans), **As Passed 2nd House**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to authorize the housing authority in certain counties to borrow money, accept grants, and exercise their powers to provide safe and sanitary housing communities for veterans. An authority would be authorized to enter into a lease or purchase agreement or accept a conveyance regarding real property as part of a housing project that would benefit veterans.

A county or municipal housing authority to which provisions of the bill would apply would not be subject to limitations related to area of operations and operations of a housing authority in other political subdivisions.

Local Government Impact

Based on the population criteria within the bill, it would apply only to housing authorities located in Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Harris, Hidalgo, Tarrant, and Travis counties.

It is assumed that a housing authority would actively pursue sufficient funds as authorized by the bill to provide the necessary housing and would enter into a lease or purchase agreement or accept a conveyance as necessary and beneficial.

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