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TO: Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

IN RE: HB3491 by Zerwas (Relating to county assistance districts.), As Introduced

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to authorize the creation of more than one county assistance district in a county and sets out procedures for creating more than one district. The bill also amends statute regarding powers, duties, operations, elections, and sales and use tax change of a county assistance district.

Local Government Impact

Based on analysis provided from the Texas Association of Counties (TAC), the costs would vary by county depending on if an associated election coincides with other elections previously determined to take place in the county or if an election is held alone. As an example, TAC cited special election costs for Waller County at \$20,920 and Kaufman County at \$35,000. (Election costs vary depending not only on the type of election, but also on the number of eligible voters and number of precincts.)

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