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TO: Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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

IN RE: SB62 by Zaffirini (Relating to permitting certain military attorneys to represent military personnel and their dependents in civil proceedings before the courts of this state.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code relating to permitting certain military attorneys to represent military personnel and their dependents in civil proceedings before the courts of this state. The bill would allow military personnel and their dependents to be represented by military attorneys in civil proceedings before Texas courts. To the extent the bill would change eligibility of those that could represent military personnel in civil cases, the rules change is not anticipated to increase the workload of the court system.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote from both houses. If the bill does not receive the two-thirds votes, it would take effect September 1, 2009.

Local Government Impact

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

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