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TO: Honorable Royce West, Chair, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

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

IN RE: SB397 by Carona (Relating to methods of payment for reimbursement of jury service expenses.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Subchapter C, Chapter 113, Local Government Code, to authorize a county treasurer to choose from different methods for disbursing reimbursement to a person who reports for jury service and discharges the person's jury duty. The county commissioners court would be required to first approve the method of payment adopted by the county treasurer. The county would be authorized to provide a person who reports for jury service an opportunity to donate all or a specific portion of the daily reimbursement by completing a self-executing application on a form prescribed by the commissioners court.

Local Government Impact

It is assumed that a county would implement a system that would most be cost-efficient for the county. No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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