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

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

IN RE: SB742 by Wentworth (Relating to the qualifications to serve as an associate judge or visiting associate judge in certain family law proceedings.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code to add qualifications to be eligible for appointment as an associate judge or a visiting associate judge in certain family law proceedings defined by the provisions of the bill. A district or county attorney could enter into an agreement with a local criminal defense bar association regarding the implementation of the discovery procedures.

Local Government Impact

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

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