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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB1358 by Seliger (Relating to optional annuity increases for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Texas Municipal Retirement System.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to create an alternative formula for providing a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for retirees under the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS).

Local Government Impact

According to TMRS, the bill would have no automatic fiscal impact on a municipality because COLAs are provided at the election of the individual municipality that participates in TMRS. However, provisions of the bill could affect the actuarial cost of COLAs if a municipality chooses to provide a COLA using one of the proposed alternative formulas. Information on the actuarial impact is included in a separate document.

The fiscal impact to municipalities would depend on the formulas a municipality chooses to implement.

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