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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: SB1650 by Duncan (Relating to appeals in cases arising under the Federal Arbitration Act.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code relating to appeals in cases arising under the Federal Arbitration Act. The bill would clarify the times when a matter subject to the Federal Arbitration Act could be appealed to the court of appeals. To the extent the bill would amend the times matters can be appealed, the rules change is not anticipated to significantly increase the workload of the courts of appeals. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

Local Government Impact

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

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