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TO: Honorable Leticia Van de Putte, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

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

IN RE: SB2222 by Van de Putte (relating to authorizing the creation of regional military sustainability commissions around military institutions.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would add Chapter 397A to Subtitle C, Title 12, Local Government Code, to authorize creation of a regional military sustainability commission relating to military installations. A Joint Land Use Study would be required to be completed by September 1, 2010, after which all affected counties and municipalities that constitute a defense community would be allowed to establish and fund a regional military sustainability commission. Two public hearings would also be required prior to establishing a commission. Other requirements for the establishment and actions of the commission are stipulated in the bill.

A participating governmental entity would be authorized to appropriate funds to the commission for the costs and expenses required in the performance of its purposes. A commission would be authorized to apply for, contract for, receive, and expend for its purposes a grant or funds from participating governmental entities.

Local Government Impact

It is assumed that eligible counties and municipalities would form a regional military sustainability commission if sufficient resources were available and if there was a need and benefit. At a minimum, the entities would incur costs for a Joint Land Use Study, required public hearings, and costs required for the commission to operate.

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