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

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

IN RE: SB2279 by Ellis (Relating to the dedication of certain civil penalties for violations of the Business & Commerce Code to provide civil legal services to the indigent.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code and provides that any funds recovered by the Attorney General's Office as civil penalties pursuant to an action under the Business and Commerce Code are to be credited to the judicial fund for certain approved programs providing civil legal services to the indigent. It is assumed that any costs associated with implementation of the bill would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

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

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