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TO: Honorable Vicki Truitt, Chair, House Committee on Pensions, Investments & Financial Services

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

IN RE: HB925 by Bonnen (Relating to credit in the Texas Municipal Retirement System for certain service as a reserve police officer.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to allow volunteer reserve police officers to receive retirement credit for their service. Any city participating in the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) would be authorized to adopt an ordinance that would allow volunteer reserve police officers to receive up to 60 months credit for the time served in that capacity. To receive the credit, a person must be a full-time police officer of a city participating in TMRS. The bill would prohibit a person from receiving more than 60 months combined military and reserve service credit. Certification by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education as having met the qualifications of a reserve police officer would be considered evidence of a member's reserve service.

Since TMRS does not receive state appropriated funds, no impact on state funds is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

According to TMRS, the funding requirements and cost impact of adopting the credit would be the responsibility of cities participating in TMRS. There would be cost associated with reprogramming both internal computer systems and actuarial systems used by the outside actuary; however, the costs would not be significant based on fiscal impact criteria.

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