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TO: Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Government Organization

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

IN RE: SB656 by Huffman (Relating to the abolition of the Coastal Coordination Council and the transfer of its functions to the General Land Office), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill is the Sunset legislation for the Coastal Coordination Council, which will be abolished on September 1, 2011, unless continued by the Legislature.

The bill contains the following Sunset Commission recommendations: it abolishes the Council and assigns its functions to the General Land Office (GLO) and the Land Commissioner; it would require the Land Commissioner to establish a Coastal Coordination Advisory Committee and specify its membership; and it would the Land Commissioner to evaluate the Permitting Assistance Group's functions, membership, and usefulness

Because the GLO currently provideds staffing and other administrative support for the Council, no significant fiscal impact to the state is expected as a result of the bill's passage.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 116 Sunset Advisory Commission, 302 Office of the Attorney General, 305 General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board

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