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TO: Honorable Tryon D. Lewis, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB389 by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to the enforcement of spousal maintenance agreements and property distribution agreements incident to divorce or annulment.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Family Code relating to the enforcement of spousal maintenance agreements and property distribution agreements incident to divorce or annulment. The bill would allow courts to enforce contractual provisions concerning property distribution that were approved under the terms of property distribution agreement incident to divorce. The bill is not anticipated to increase the number of cases handled by family law judges nor the time spent by judges on spousal maintenance issues. No significant impact to the court system or the state is anticipated.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

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