

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB469** by Hernandez Luna (Relating to assignment of a retired or former judge in certain proceedings.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Government Code to require a retired judge or a former judge of a statutory probate court to be eligible to serve as a visiting judge if the judge was not defeated in the last election in which the judge was a candidate for judge of the court over which the judge most recently presided. A retired judge or a former judge that was defeated in the last election for a court that is filled by an election could not be assigned as a visiting judge for the court.

According to the Office of Court Administration, judges who are eligible to serve on assignment are not guaranteed assignments; therefore, no significant fiscal impact to the state judiciary is anticipated.

**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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