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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: **HB869** by Ashby (Relating to the issuance of a marriage license for an absent applicant and the maintenance of records by a county clerk relating to a marriage license issued for an absent applicant.), **As Introduced**

<p>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Family Code to authorize a county clerk to issue a marriage license for an absent applicant that is a member of the armed forces of the United States stationed in another country; a person that is unable to appear personally; and is unable to attend the marriage ceremony. A county clerk could also issue a marriage license to both absent applicants.

The bill would require a county clerk to maintain an affidavit of the absent applicant and the application for the marriage license in the same manner as a marriage license submitted by two applicants that appear in person.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies:

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