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TO: Honorable Harold V. Dutton, Jr., Chair, House Committee On Urban Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1509 by Anchia (Relating to the enforcement of water conservation and animal care and control ordinances of a municipality by civil action or quasi-judicial enforcement; providing civil penalties.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to authorize a municipality to bring a civil action or quasi-judicial enforcement of an ordinance relating to animal care and control; or water conservation measures, including water restrictions. A violation would be a Class C misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

Local Government Impact

Costs associated with enforcement and prosecution could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact.

Source Agencies:

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