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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB443 by Birdwell (Relating to leave for reserve law enforcement officers for required

training.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to entitle a state employee who is a reserve law enforcement officer to a leave of absence without a deduction in salary to attend training required under Section 1701.351 of the Occupations Code, provided the leave does not exceed five working days every fiscal biennium.

The Comptroller has noted the costs of the bill to the state cannot be estimated due to the unavailability of information on reserve law enforcement officers who are state employees and are required to have specific training authorized under this statute. It is assumed the costs associated with implementing the provisions of he bill could be absorbed within current resources. The bill would take effect immediately upon a two-thirds vote of both chambers; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 327 Employees Retirement System,

405 Department of Public Safety, 407 Commission on Law Enforcement

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