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TO: Honorable Carol Alvarado, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2870 by Alonzo (Relating to the regulation of firefighters and fire departments by the

Texas Commission on Fire Protection.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to define under what conditions a municipal employee may perform wildland fire-fighting duties. The bill would require the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to adopt and implement rules pertaining to the provisions of the bill. It is assumed any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

The bill would have a cost to some local governments to hire permanent, full-time fire department employees for duties that could previously be performed by other staff; however, cost could not be determined at this time.

Source Agencies: 411 Commission on Fire Protection

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