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TO: Honorable Sarah Davis, Chair, House Committee on General Investigating & Ethics

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB504 by Taylor, Van (Relating to lobbying by former members of the legislature; creating an offense.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to prohibit former legislative members from lobbying for two years after their term ended. The bill would take effect January 8, 2019.

Local Government Impact

A Class B misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$2,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both. Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication.

Source Agencies:

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