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TO: Honorable Jeff Leach, Chair, House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2923 by Dutton (Relating to certain persons who are disqualified from serving as the personal representative of a decedent's estate.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Estates Code to provide that the spouse of a decedent is disqualified to serve as the executor or administrator of the decedent's estate if at the time of the decedent's death the spouse was a party to: a suit for dissolution of marriage; a suit affecting the parent-child relationship involving a child of the spouse and decedent; or a suit involving the Department of Family and Protective Services and the child of the spouse and decedent pursuant to statutes relating to abuse or neglect of a child.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and the Department of Family and Protective Services, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the bill could be accomplished utilizing available resources. In addition, no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated with the implementation of the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Admin, 530 Family & Protective Services

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