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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB484 by Hinojosa (Relating to the right of a member of the state military forces to retain private legal counsel and file a civil action.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to permit a Texas military forces service member ordered to state active duty or training or other duty by the proper state authority, and who is entitled to certain benefits and protections, to retain private legal counsel and file a civil action in state district court if the servicemember is aggrieved by a violation of or is denied a benefit or protection guaranteed under Government Code Section 437.204 (Reemployment of Service Member Called to Training or Duty) or certain federal law. The bill would outline the relief a court may award to a service member who prevails in the action filed under the new section.

Based on information provided by the Office of Court Administration, no significant fiscal impact to the state court system is anticipated as a result from implementing the provisions of the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Admin

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