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TO: Honorable Morgan Meyer, Chair, House Committee on Ways & Means

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB35 by Bernal (relating to installment payments of ad valorem taxes imposed on residence homesteads in certain counties.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 31 of the Tax Code, relating to Collections, to permit an individual who has a residence homestead exemption for property located in a county with a population greater than 1.5 million, and where more than 70 percent reside in a single municipality, to pay property taxes on that homestead in four equal installments.

Currently, these installment plans are only available to individuals who qualify for a homestead exemption who are disabled, age 65 or older or qualified as a disabled veteran or unmarried surviving spouse of a disabled veteran under Tax Code Section 11.132 or 11.22.

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Local Government Impact

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