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

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB5621 by Dutton (Relating to the jurisdiction of district and county attorneys to prosecute certain consumer protection violations.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would expand the authority of district and county attorneys to independently investigate and prosecute certain violations under the Deceptive Trade Practices Act.

It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

The bill would authorize district and county attorneys to take action on matters currently handled by the consumer protection division of the Office of the Attorney General. No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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