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TO: Honorable Larry Taylor, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2416 by Garza (Relating to defining residency for purposes of eligibility to hold the office of or be a candidate for state representative.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Chapter 601 of Government Code by adding Section 601.009, which defines residency for purposes of eligibility to hold the office of or be a candidate for state representative. The bill would apply to the determination of where a person resides for purposes of Article III, Section 7 of the Texas Constitution, which sets the qualifications for state representatives. The bill also prescribes the procedure by which a candidate for state representative may initiate an action challenging another candidate's compliance with residency requirements.

It is anticipated that any additional costs associated with implementation of the legislation could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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