OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 444 (File 282, as amended by House "B")*

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES TO SERVE ON MUNICIPAL BOARDS OF FINANCE.

SUMMARY

This bill creates an additional exception to a statutory prohibition on municipal employees serving on the board of finance (BOF) in the municipality in which they work and live. The bill allows these employees, if they receive a stipend for their work, to serve on the BOF as long as the stipend they get does not exceed $10,000 in any rolling 12-month period.

Additionally, as under existing law, the prohibition on municipal employees serving on the BOF in the municipality does not apply if:

1. a local charter or home rule ordinance explicitly allows the service or

2. employees serve only in their capacity as a member of the municipality's legislative body (ex officio membership).

*House Amendment "B" limits the exception the underlying bill creates by allowing only municipal employes that receive a stipend to qualify for it (the underlying bill allowed employees receiving a salary or wages to qualify for the exception).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2026

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute
Yea 21 Nay 0 (03/13/2026)