

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 78TH LEGISLATURE 1st CALLED SESSION - 2003

July 3, 2003

TO: Honorable David Swinford, Chair, House Committee on Government Reform

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB25 by Swinford (Relating to various information, meetings, and operations of certain state entities.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB25, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$377,792) through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	(\$377,792)
2005	\$0
2006	\$0
2007	\$0
2008	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2003
2004	(\$377,792)	2.0
2005		
2006		
2007		
2008		

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend various budgetary and other fiscal management statutes relating to state government and certain regional entities. For the purposes of this fiscal note, only those provisions with a fiscal impact are discussed, namely, articles 3 and 4.

Article 3 would require the Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to review the organization and operations of each university system office.

Article 4 would create the select committee on prison privatization (committee)and require the committee to prepare a report on prison privatization. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) would be required to provide the committee with not less than \$200,000 from its budget for the 2004-05 biennium.

Methodology

THECB estimates the review of the organization and operations of each of the university system offices would cost an estimated \$337,792 in fiscal year 2004 and would require two additional personal and miscellaneous travel and consulting contract costs.

TDCJ would transfer \$200,000 from their budget to the committee to fund the privatization study through the biennium ending August 31, 2005. As a result, no fiscal impact to the State is anticipated for this provision.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board
LBB Staff: JK, JO, CT, DLBe