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**TO:** Honorable Frank Corte, Chair, House Committee on Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB80** by Wise (Relating to establishing a permanent fund for certain veterans' care purposes.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB80, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$150,000,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

This bill establishes a permanent veterans' fund to be used for programs relating to veterans' homes, grants to counties to purchase burial grounds for veterans under Section 713.029, Health and Safety Code, improve or enhance veterans' health care and make grants to local communities to address veterans' health care needs.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	(\$150,000,000)
2005	\$0
2006	\$0
2007	\$0
2008	\$0

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1
2004	(\$150,000,000)
2005	\$0
2006	\$0
2007	\$0
2008	\$0

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would create a permanent fund for veterans' care in the state treasury outside of the general revenue fund.

**Methodology**

If passed, the bill would transfer \$150 million from the general revenue fund to the permanent fund for

veterans' care.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. If bill passes, local governments could receive grant money provided from the veterans' care fund to address veterans' health care needs.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 305 General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, 403 Veterans Commission  
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