

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 78TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 12, 2003

TO: Honorable Robert Talton, Chair, House Committee on Urban Affairs

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB656 by Brimer (Relating to the removal of certain on-premise signs in a municipality.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 216.003, Local Government Code, to authorize a municipality that exercises authority under the subchapter to require the removal of an on-premise sign or sign structure or a portion of either not sooner than the first anniversary of the date the business, person, or activity the sign or sign structure identifies or advertises ceases to operate on the premises on which the sign or sign structure is located. The municipality would be allowed to exercise the authority without paying compensation to the owner of the sign or sign structure. If the premise is leased, a municipality may not require removal of the sign or sign structure sooner than the second anniversary after the date the most recent tenant ceases to operate on the premises. Removal of a sign or sign structure under this subsection would not require the appointment of a municipal board on sign control.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2003.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JK, DLBa