

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Steve Ogden, Chair, Senate Committee on Infrastructure Development and Security

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

**IN RE: SB872** by Wentworth (Relating to the application of the open meetings law and the public information law to meetings and information regarding certain plans, including emergency prevention or response plans and engineering or architectural plans.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill adds Sections 551.091, 551.092, 552.146, and 552.147 to the Government Code to not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting to deliberate tactical, security or emergency procedures for preventing or responding to an act of terrorism and to prevent the disclosure of a governmental body's engineering, architectural, or other plans if the release of those plans would jeopardize the health or safety of one or more individuals or the security of a system, a facility, or equipment.

The Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all members of each house; otherwise, the Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 302 Office Of The Attorney General, 356 Texas Ethics Commission, 405 Department Of Public Safety, 601 Department Of Transportation

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