

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Government Organization

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

**IN RE: SB1634** by Staples (Relating to the limitation on the allocation of office space to state agencies.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would authorize the Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) to exercise the powers and duties provided under 2165.056, Government Code with respect to the limitation on the allocation of office space to state agencies. The bill would also authorize the TBPC to grant a waiver on current restrictions of the average amount of space per employee allocated to a state agency when critical to the public or client services. The bill would also stipulate that a report of any waivers granted be made available to the Governor; the Lieutenant Governor; the Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Chairs of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committees; and the Chairs of the Senate and House Administration Committees.

The Building and Procurement Commission indicated potential cost savings associated with limiting agencies to 153 square feet per FTE. However, it anticipated that any savings realized would be offset by costs incurred by state agencies related to moving from leased to state-owned space and reconfiguring state-owned space to accommodate the new square footage requirement.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 301 Office of the Governor, 303 Building and Procurement Commission, 701 Central Education Agency, 705 State Board for Educator Certification, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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