

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Mary Denny, Chair, House Committee on Elections

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB113** by Wong (Relating to reporting of personal financial information by officers of certain school districts, junior college districts, and certain municipal retirement systems and reporting of expenditures to influence administrative action by certain school districts, junior college districts, and certain municipal retirement systems; providing civil and criminal penalties.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB113, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$100,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2007.

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
2006	(\$50,000)
2007	(\$50,000)
2008	(\$50,000)
2009	(\$50,000)
2010	(\$50,000)

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

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2005
2006	(\$50,000)	1.0
2007	(\$50,000)	1.0
2008	(\$50,000)	1.0
2009	(\$50,000)	1.0
2010	(\$50,000)	1.0

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would amend statute and increase the number of individuals filing annual personal financial disclosure statements with the Texas Ethics Commission to include independent school district trustees, superintendents, junior college district trustees, and certain public retirement system trustees. In addition, individuals who lobby certain independent school districts and junior college districts would be required to register and report lobbying activities with the commission. The bill would also expand the commission's legal jurisdiction to include certain provisions of the Education Code.

## **Methodology**

The bill would require an additional attorney costing approximately \$50,000 per year in General Revenue to support individuals filing with the commission and assist the public with questions and complaints pertaining to provisions within the Education Code.

## **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 356 Texas Ethics Commission, 701 Central Education Agency

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