

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 79TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 2, 2005**

**TO:** Honorable Norma Chavez, Chair, House Committee on Border and International Affairs

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

**IN RE: HB518** by Guillen (Relating to the evaluation of colonias in this state), **As Introduced**

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| <p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p> |
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The bill would amend the Section 487.354 (a), Government Code, that prohibits any application from being considered for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) without the completion of the Evaluation of Colonias form in Section 2 of Government Code 487.354. The bill would require each applicant applying for the CDBG funding to submit to the agency a properly completed Evaluation of Colonias form. Based on the analysis of ORCA, it is assumed that costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 357 Office of Rural Community Affairs

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