

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Ray Allen, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

**IN RE: HB631** by Smith, Wayne (Relating to county authority to adopt fire codes in unincorporated areas.), **As Introduced**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Local Government Code to add a multi-family dwelling in unincorporated areas to the building construction for which a county is authorized to adopt fire codes. The bill would also extend from 2 days to 10 days the amount of time a county would be allowed from the time it receives an inspection request and when the inspection would have to begin. If the building does not comply with the fire code, the county would be required to deny the certificate of compliance and the building could not be occupied. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

**Local Government Impact**

Counties would incur costs associated with inspections and code enforcement, although those costs are not anticipated to be significant.

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

**Source Agencies:**

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