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TO: Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Government Organization

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

IN RE: HB2902 by Hilderbran (Relating to the maintenance and preservation of historical courthouses and records.), **As Engrossed**

<p>Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2902, As Engrossed: a negative impact of (\$4,242,370) through the biennium ending August 31, 2007.</p>
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General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2006	(\$2,121,185)
2007	(\$2,121,185)
2008	(\$2,121,185)
2009	(\$2,121,185)
2010	(\$2,121,185)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2006	(\$2,121,185)
2007	(\$2,121,185)
2008	(\$2,121,185)
2009	(\$2,121,185)
2010	(\$2,121,185)

Fiscal Year	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2005
2006	2.0
2007	2.0
2008	2.0
2009	2.0
2010	2.0

Fiscal Analysis

Section 1 of the bill would amend Government Code to authorize the Library and Archives Commission to establish a historical government records preservation grant program for governmental entities; preserve, repair, restore, manage, and provide access to historical government records; provide emergency disaster recovery grants to local governments; and provide records management,

archival, and preservation training to local governments.

Section 3 of the bill would amend Government Code to require the Texas Historical Commission to implement a maintenance component within the historic courthouse preservation program to ensure that historic county courthouses funded through the historic courthouse preservation program are maintained by their respective counties.

Section 4 of the bill would also increase the limitation on the percentage of funding available to the Texas Historical Commission for administering the courthouse preservation program.

Section 5 of the bill would repeal the Library and Archives Commission's grants-in-aid program pertaining to aiding local governments in establishing records management programs or preserving historical local government records.

Methodology

The estimate pertaining to Section 1 of the bill includes costs associated with 2 FTEs to implement and administer the grant and training programs established by the bill. It also includes expenditures for historical government records preservation and emergency disaster recovery grants and related travel. The estimate includes \$1 million for grant awards for each grant program.

It is anticipated that existing resources can absorb any costs to implement Sections 3 and 4 of the bill.

Section 5 of the bill is anticipated to have no fiscal implication.

Local Government Impact

Section 1 of the bill would result in a positive fiscal impact to those local governmental entities that apply for, are awarded, and accept a grant from the commission.

Section 3 of the bill is anticipated to have no fiscal implication to units of local government.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 306 Library & Archives Commission

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