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TO: Honorable Kenneth Armbrister, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

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

IN RE: SB1063 by Staples (Relating to the rates of certain retail public utilities.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would delete language providing an exemption from provisions regarding certain Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) proceeds to a public utility providing utility service in only 24 counties on January 1, 2003. It would also add an exemption from restrictions on utility consolidation for a utility providing service in 24 counties on January 1, 2003. No significant change in TCEQ workload is expected from the changes in law proposed by the bill.

Local Government Impact

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

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