

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
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TO: Honorable Chris Harris, Chair, Senate Committee on Administration

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

IN RE: SB1140 by Carona (Relating to requiring a record vote by each house or committee of the legislature on bills, proposed constitutional amendments, amendments to bills and proposed constitutional amendments, and certain other actions and to public notice of the record vote.),
As Introduced

Both the House and the Senate estimate there would be some costs to publish record votes, but neither can quantify the costs.

The bill requires a record vote by either house of the legislature or committee of either house on approval or disapproval of a bill, joint resolution, amendments or substitutes, appointment or election of a legislative officer or other public official, or the confirmation of an appointment to public office. Record votes shall be published in the journals and committee minutes of each house and on the Internet.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JOB, LB, SR, SD, WP