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TO: Honorable David Swinford, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: HB340 by Leibowitz (Relating to the creation and dissemination by the Veterans' Land Board and the Texas Residential Construction Commission of a list of builders who provide certain types of building services.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB340, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2008	\$0
2009	\$0
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1	Probable Revenue Gain from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2008	(\$25,000)	\$25,000
2009	(\$4,000)	\$4,000
2010	(\$4,000)	\$4,000
2011	(\$4,000)	\$4,000
2012	(\$4,000)	\$4,000

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Natural Resources Code to require the Veteran's Land Board and the Texas Residential Construction Commission (TRCC) to maintain an electronic list and hard-copy list of registered builders who provide certain types of building services in Texas, as specified by the bill. The bill would require TRCC to contact all volume builders in Texas who do not provide building services to persons with mobility-related special needs, as specified in the bill, and encourage those builders to develop floor plans that are designed to be accessible for persons with mobility-related special needs.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2007.

Methodology

Based on the analysis of TRCC, it is assumed the commission would incur costs of \$25,000 in fiscal year 2008 for programming and enhancements to the commission's builder database and an additional \$4,000 each year thereafter for increased database maintenance. It is assumed any other costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the commission's existing resources.

It is assumed the commission would assess or increase registration fees in an amount sufficient to recover any additional costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill.

Technology

Technology costs associated with the implementation of the bill are estimated to be \$25,000 for database programming and enhancements in fiscal year 2008 and \$4,000 for database maintenance each year thereafter.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 305 General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board, 370 Residential Construction Commission

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