

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Jeff Wentworth, Chair, Senate Committee on Jurisprudence

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

**IN RE: HB417** by Hartnett (Relating to guardianship matters and proceedings.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would make numerous amendments to the Probate Code regarding guardianship appointments, compensation, eligibility, and proceedings. The bill would amend the Election Code regarding adjudging a person mentally incapacitated and the person's voting rights and eligibility to file as a candidate for public office and the Probate Code regarding the person's capacity to vote in a public election and to operate a motor vehicle. To the extent judicial proceedings regarding guardianship matters and voting registrar procedures regarding mentally incapacitated persons are modified, no significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 530 Family and Protective Services, Department of, 538 Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, Department of

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