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TO: Honorable Troy Fraser, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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

IN RE: HB1196 by Kolkhorst (relating to restrictions on the use of certain public subsidies.),
Committee Report 2nd House, As Amended

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require a business that applies for a public subsidy through a public agency, state or local taxing jurisdiction, or economic development corporation to submit a statement certifying that the business does not knowingly employ an undocumented worker. The bill would require that this statement include terms for repayment of the public subsidy if the business is convicted of a violation under 8 U.S.C. Section 1324a(f). No significant fiscal impact is anticipated as the bill requires the submission of a statement.

The bill would authorize a public agency to bring a civil action to recover these costs if necessary. It is estimated that costs associated with this would be covered by existing resources. Therefore, no significant fiscal impact is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 301 Office of the Governor, 320 Texas Workforce Commission

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