

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 16, 2007

TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on Civil Practices

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

IN RE: HB1299 by Strama (Relating to the liability of the state for a violation of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend statute and waive state agencies' sovereign immunity from suit and liability for claims under the Americans with Disabilities Act. It is assumed that any additional costs associated with implementation of the bill could be absorbed within existing state resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

Costs to a governmental unit would depend upon the number of cases filed and the number of judgments against a governmental unit.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General

LBB Staff: JOB, MN, JM, KJG