

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**TO:** Honorable Rick Hardcastle, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

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

**IN RE: HB2232** by Cortez, Frank (Relating to the amount of an administrative penalty assessed by the Railroad Commission of Texas for a violation of the Texas Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Act or a permit issued under that act.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would raise the maximum administrative penalty for each violation issued under the coal mining regulatory program administered by the Railroad Commission from \$5,000 to \$13,000.

The Railroad Commission estimates that the bill would result in a gain to the General Revenue Fund of \$24,792 per fiscal year.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 455 Railroad Commission

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