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TO: Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Government Organization

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

IN RE: HB2458 by Cook, Byron (Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Structural Pest Control Board.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2458, Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted: 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 <i>GENERAL REVENUE</i> <i>FUND</i> 1	Probable Revenue Gain from <i>GENERAL REVENUE</i> <i>FUND</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2007
2008	(\$187,530)	\$187,530	4.0
2009	(\$185,530)	\$185,530	4.0
2010	(\$185,530)	\$185,530	4.0
2011	(\$185,530)	\$185,530	4.0
2012	(\$185,530)	\$185,530	4.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Occupations Code relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Structural Pest Control Board (SPCB). The bill continues the Structural Pest Control Board for four years, until September 1, 2011. The bill requires the SPCB to comply with and implement the management action recommendations regarding the board adopted by the Sunset Advisory Commission on January 10, 2007. The commission recommends that the SPCB conduct criminal history background checks for all license applications and renewals. The bill also requires the SPCB to adopt an integrated pest management program that incorporates the standards established by the board. Not later than March 1, 2008, each school district shall provide the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the districts integrated pest management coordinator to the SPCB.

This bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Methodology

For the purposes of this analysis, the SPCB estimates conducting criminal background checks on all new licenses, approximately 3,600 each fiscal year. Beginning in fiscal year 2009 the agency will include all new applications and approximately 25 percent (3,600) of all license renewals, so that all renewals are checked within a four-year period. To implement these provisions the SPCB estimates it will need 2.0 Administrative Assistants and 1.0 Attorney. Salaries and start-up costs for the additional staff are estimated at \$126,426 each fiscal year.

In order to implement the provisions to provide outreach for school integrated pest management (IPM) the agency estimates it will need 1.0 Program Specialist who will be responsible for providing information on compliance to 1,040 school districts in Texas. Salaries and start-up costs for the additional staff are estimated at \$61,104 in fiscal year 2008 and \$59,104 in fiscal years 2009-2012.

Based on the analysis of the agency, it is assumed that the Board would adjust license fees to cover any additional costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 116 Sunset Advisory Commission, 472 Structural Pest Control Board, 551 Department of Agriculture

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