

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

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**May 26, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable David Dewhurst , Lieutenant Governor, Senate  
Honorable Tom Craddick, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

**IN RE: HB2819** by Ritter (Relating to the management and protection of coastal public land and other coastal resources; providing for administrative penalties.), **Conference Committee Report**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would provide flexibility to the General Land Office (GLO) in developing guidelines for persons applying to acquire rights in costal public lands. It would also provide for the use of the Coastal Erosion Response Account for the administration of the coastal management program by the GLO. In addition, the bill would provide direction to local governments in planning for the reduction of public expenditure for erosion and storm damage loss, and it would allow the Land Commissioner to order the removal of obstructions and hazards inconsistent with local governments' beach access plans or consituting hazards. The bill would also provide for administrative penalties for violations of coastal related laws and rules, and it would modify the contents of disclosures required for the sale of coastal real estate.

Passage of the bill is not expected to result in significant increased costs to the General Land Office.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 305 General Land Office and Veterans' Land Board

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