

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

**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 13, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair, Senate Committee on International Relations & Trade

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

**IN RE: HB3068** by Guillen (Relating to the authority and responsibilities of certain political subdivisions in relation to development.), **As Engrossed**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend various chapters of the Local Government Code regarding regulations of subdivisions and utility connections by municipalities and counties located in a county that is near an international border. The bill would also amend Chapter 16 of the Water Code to permit the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to grant a request for temporary continuation of funding for a political subdivision that receives funds under Subchapter K, Chapter 17, Water Code (concerning the Economically Distressed Areas Program) if certain conditions are met. This provision expires on September 1, 2009.

The TWDB anticipates that approximately three to five Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP) projects may be affected by this provision. The agency expects that approximately 0.25 FTEs (Attorney IV) would be needed to carry out the work anticipated by the provision during the effective two year period for a total cost of approximately \$50,000 for the biennium. It is anticipated that this cost can be absorbed with existing agency resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 580 Water Development Board

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