

**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: HB3105** by Anchia (Relating to a program allowing for countywide voting locations in certain elections.), **Conference Committee Report**

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

The bill would allow for countywide voting locations in certain elections. The secretary of state would be responsible for implementing a program to allow a commissioners court to participate in a countywide voting program; auditing the direct recording devices used during the elections; and selecting the counties eligible to participate based on criteria established in the bill. The program would be a pilot program until June 1, 2009, at which time the secretary of state would file a report with the legislature that contains recommendations and suggestions for permanent statutory authority regarding countywide polling places.

The bill would be effective upon a two-thirds vote of each house. Otherwise the bill would be effective September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. It is assumed that a commissioners court of a county would elect to participate in the countywide polling place program only if funds are available.

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