

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 18, 2007

TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

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

IN RE: HB3678 by Howard, Charlie (relating to voluntary student expression of religious viewpoints in public schools.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

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

School districts would be required to adopt the model policy described in the bill or a locally-developed policy to comply with the provisions of this bill. It is assumed that school districts would experience some additional workload to develop and implement the policy in planning events, selecting student speakers, arranging for oral or written disclaimers, and training teachers and staff to ensure compliance with the provisions of the bill. Costs would be expected to vary among districts and would not be anticipated to be significant on a statewide basis.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

LBB Staff: JOB, KJG, UP, JSp