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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: SB588 by Nelson (Relating to the authority of the comptroller of public accounts to perform administrative, economic, fiscal, or policy research or analysis regarding certain issues and to assist political subdivisions with related research or analysis.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would add Section 403.022 to the Government Code to grant authority to the Comptroller to perform administrative, economic, fiscal, or policy research or analysis regarding certain issues and to assist political subdivisions with related research or analysis. The analysis could be conducted at the behest of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chair of a standing legislative committee, or on the Comptroller's own initiative. It is assumed that any additional costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing state resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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