

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

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

**April 13, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

**IN RE: SB602** by Van de Putte (Relating to political activities of labor organizations that accept certain public funds; providing a criminal penalty.), **As Introduced**

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

Under the the bill a labor organization that represents peace officers and that accepts a grant or appropriated money from a state agency, is prohibited from establishing a political committee, assisting a political committee with political activities or making a political contribution. An offense under this section is a third degree felony. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice indicates no significant fiscal impact from this bill.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 356 Texas Ethics Commission, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

**LBB Staff:** JOB, KJG, DB, SD, MN