

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**April 10, 2007**

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

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

**IN RE: SB1420** by Wentworth (Relating to the development by the Texas Education Agency of an Internet safety and use curriculum for use by school districts.), **As Introduced**

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| <p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p> |
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The bill would require the Texas Education Agency to develop an internet safety and use curriculum concerning the potential dangers of allowing personal information to appear on an Internet website, the significance of copyright laws, and the consequences of cyber-plagerism and theft of audiovisual works, motion pictures, software, and sound recordings through uploading and downloading files.

The agency estimates one-time costs of about \$40,000 to develop the curriculum for school districts use. It is assumed that the agency would minimize costs by recommending and using available resources to the greatest extent possible in developing the internet safety and use curriculum.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 701 Central Education Agency

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