LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

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TO: Honorable Leo Berman, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: SB1646 by Duncan (Relating to certain election practices and procedures; providing penalties.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB1646, Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted: a negative impact of (\$10,000,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.

Appropriations:

Fiscal Year	Appropriation out of GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2007	\$10,000,000
2008	\$0

General Revenue-Related Funds, Six-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2007	(\$10,000,000)
2008	\$0
2009	\$0
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0

All Funds, Six-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from GENERAL REVENUE FUND 1
2007	(\$10,000,000)
2008	\$0
2009	\$0
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend serveral sections of the Election Code, effective September 1, 2007.

The bill would authorize the Secretary of State to reimburse political subdivisions for expenses incurred in conducting a special election that is held statewide.

Methodology

The Secretary of State estimates that the May 12, 2007 special election will cost local governments \$10,000,000 to conduct.

Local Government Impact

Local units of government would be reimbursed for special election expenses in the amount shown in the above tables.

Source Agencies: 307 Secretary of State **LBB Staff:** JOB, CT, MN, MS, KJG, SD