

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

**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 2, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Mark Homer, Chair, House Committee on Culture, Recreation & Tourism

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

**IN RE: HB873** by Dukes (Relating to incentives for the film, television, video, and digital interactive media production industries.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill adds educational or instructional videos to the definition of a moving image project. The bill amends grant requirements for a film or television program from a minimum of \$1 million in in-state spending to \$250,000 and amends the percent that must be filmed in Texas from 80 percent to 60 percent. The bill requires the establishment of rules for grant amounts and changes the additional grant amount for filming in underused areas from 1.25 percent to 2.5 percent of the company's in-state spending.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 301 Office of the Governor

**LBB Staff:** JOB, WK, MS, BTA