# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

## March 11, 2009

TO: Honorable Todd Smith, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

**IN RE: HB1143** by Brown, Betty (Relating to the penalty for making a false statement on a voter registration application.), **As Introduced** 

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

The bill would amend the Election Code by enhancing the punishment for the offense of making a false statement on a voter registration application from a Class B misdemeanor to a felony of the third degree.

It is assumed that the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

### **Local Government Impact**

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

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