

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

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

**April 29, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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

**IN RE: HB1343** by Menendez (Relating to blind and disabled pedestrians and failure of the operator of a motor vehicle to yield the right-of-way.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code relating to blind and disabled pedestrians and failure of the operator of a motor vehicle to yield the right-of-way to those pedestrians. The bill would amend Chapter 552 (pedestrians) to create a penalty of a fine of up to \$500 and a community service requirement for a motor vehicle driving offense resulting in injury or death to a blind, visually impaired, or disabled person.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

Fiscal impact to units of local government would depend on the number of offenses prosecuted and the discretion of the judge in imposing the fine.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 538 Assistive and Rehabilitative Services,  
Department of

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