

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

**April 27, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Vicki Truitt, Chair, House Committee on Pensions, Investments & Financial Services

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

**IN RE: HB2241** by Chavez (Relating to the provision of state death benefits to certain federal law enforcement officers and special agents who assist state and local law enforcement agencies in this state.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend Section 615.003 of the Government Code to provide state death benefits to federal law enforcement officers or special agents who are killed while performing duties in Texas to assist a state or local law enforcement agency in Texas. The bill would take effect September 1, 2009.

Funding for the death benefits would come from either the Crime Victims Compensation Account No. 469 or from General Revenue, depending on the circumstances surrounding the death. The Employees Retirement System reports that the bill would have some administrative startup costs to update survivor benefits correspondence, website information, external communications information, and training of staff. It is expected that these additional costs could be absorbed with current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 327 Employees Retirement System

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