

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**April 7, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Edmund Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

**IN RE: HJR107** by Alvarado (Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize and provide for regulating the conduct of gaming in this state and requiring the governor to call the legislature into special session to consider gaming legislation.), **As Introduced**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated**, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$90,882.

The resolution would propose a constitutional amendment to Section 47, Article III authorizing the Legislature, by general law, to create a state gaming commission and to provide for the regulation and conduct of one or more types of gaming, including casino gaming. The gaming would be located on barrier islands in the Gulf of Mexico, on Indian lands of the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and the Alabama Coushatta tribes, at licensed pari-mutuel horse and greyhound race tracks, and in municipalities with populations of 675,000 or greater. The amendment would require the Governor to call a special session no later than June 1, 2010, with the sole purpose of considering and enacting laws related to this gaming.

Any fiscal implications would depend on the enabling legislation.

The proposed amendment would be submitted to voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 362 Texas Lottery Commission

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