

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

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

**May 15, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

**IN RE: SB229** by West (Relating to the procurement methods authorized for public projects by certain local governments.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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Under current statute, starting September 1, 2009, a local government entity with a population of more than 100,000 will be authorized to use certain procurement methods for public projects that currently apply only to a local government with a population of 500,000 or more. Authorization is set to expire September 1, 2011. Provisions of the bill would remove the ending date of authorization for using those procurement methods, which would allow those entities to continue to have greater flexibility in making purchases beyond September 1, 2011.

The bill would take effect immediately if it were to receive the required two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:**

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