

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

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

**February 25, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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

**IN RE: SB581** by Wentworth (Relating to intermunicipal commuter rail districts.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would authorize other public entities located in a county that has become a part of an intermunicipal commuter rail district to become a part of the district. The board of the district would be required to adopt a name for the district and would be authorized by resolution to change the name of the district.

The bill would authorize a district to acquire, construct, develop, own, operate, and maintain intercity or other types of passenger rail services.

**Local Government Impact**

It is assumed that an eligible public entity would not choose to become a part of a district unless the entity had sufficient resources to absorb costs, if any, that may be associated with participating as a part of the district.

No significant fiscal implications would result from a decision to name or change the name of the district.

It is assumed that a district would acquire, construct, develop, own, operate, and maintain intercity or other types of passenger rail services if sufficient resources are available.

**Source Agencies:**

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