# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

## **April 6, 2009**

TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

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

**IN RE: SB1490** by Watson (Relating to requirements for the conduct of Texas Education Agency special education due process hearings.), **As Introduced** 

#### No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would require the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to enter into a contract with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) that would provide for the SOAH to conduct the special education due process hearings.

TEA would still retain responsibility under the federal Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for ensuring that the hearing process meets all federal regulatory requirements and timelines.

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#### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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