

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Burt R. Solomons, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

**IN RE: SB2573** by Ogden (Relating to annual reports by certain agencies conducting, funding, or supporting biomedical research.), **As Engrossed**

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

The bill would require state agencies, including institutions of higher education, which conducted, funded, or supported during the preceding state fiscal year any research that involved human stem cells or human cloning to submit a report to the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, and the Department of State Health Services no later than December 1 of each year. The report must include the type of research conducted; the process through which the human stem cells were derived; the amount and source of state, federal, private, and other money used in the research; the facilities used in the research; and the goals, progress, and results of the research. A state agency would be required to maintain the confidentiality of information as required under Chapter 552 of the Government Code and to not disclose identifying information of an individual conducting or participating in research subject to the report.

It is assumed that any cost to the state agencies to write and submit the report can be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives two-thirds vote in both houses; otherwise it would take effect September 1, 2009.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 739 Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

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