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H.C.R. No. 75

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, With the state facing a \$26 billion shortfall, there
2 is great risk that unfunded mandates will be placed on local
3 governments and that local property tax payers will have to bear the
4 brunt of state directives; and

5 WHEREAS, Unfunded and underfunded mandates from both the
6 state and federal governments impose costs on Texas cities,
7 counties, school districts, community college districts, and
8 hospital districts, all of which then have no choice but to increase
9 local property tax rates or reduce services; and

10 WHEREAS, In light of the recent economic recession, which
11 continues to affect citizens and local governmental entities alike,
12 it is especially critical that the state avoid generating
13 additional costs for Texas cities, counties, school districts,
14 community college districts, and hospital districts; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas
17 hereby express its intent to avoid placing unfunded mandates,
18 including any that may be part of emergency measures, on local
19 governments.