# **LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas**

## FISCAL NOTE, 82ND LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

## **April 7, 2011**

**TO:** Honorable Larry Taylor, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: HB239 by Parker (Relating to the offense of paying or receiving certain forms of compensation for facilitating the registration of voters; providing criminal penalties.), As Introduced

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

The bill would amend the Election Code to prohibit paying or receiving compensation for registering voters and would create a Class A offense for a violation. A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both.

### **Local Government Impact**

Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution and confinement would vary by locality, but could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication.

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State

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