

## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

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**TO:** Honorable Tommy Williams, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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

**IN RE: HB673** by Parker (Relating to the production and use of an instructional video on recreational water safety.), **As Engrossed**

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

The bill would amend portions of the Parks and Wildlife Code to mandate that the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) produce a recreational water safety video suitable for high school students. The video must include instructions on the safe participation in recreational activities around: lakes, rivers, and coastal waters and TPWD may edit the content in compliance with certain federal standards. TPWD must notify the Texas Education Agency (TEA) when the video is available. TPWD reports a one-time expense of \$12,000 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 to research, develop, produce, script and edit an approximately 12-minute long video; however, this analysis assumes that these costs could be reasonably absorbed within the department's existing resources. The bill would require TEA to adopt rules and incorporate a recreational water safety module into the driver training program. TEA reports a one-time cost of \$17,000 from General Revenue to incorporate the module; similarly, this analysis assumes that these costs could be reasonably absorbed within TEA's existing resources. The bill would take immediate effect if the bill receives two-thirds the vote of all members in both houses. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

#### Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Central Education Agency, 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

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