

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

**IN RE: HB1900** by Burnam (Relating to the applicability of certain unfunded mandates on political subdivisions.), **As Introduced**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend Chapter 320, Government Code, to establish an unfunded mandates interagency work group consisting of five members: the State Auditor, director of the Legislative Budget Board, the Comptroller, a senator appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and a representative appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Members of the work group would not be compensated and would be authorized to enter into an interagency memorandum of understanding regarding completion of work required by Chapter 320. The bill would provide that a political subdivision is not required to comply with an unfunded mandate identified on a list of unfunded mandates published by the work group. The bill would repeal Section 320.004 requiring the work group to review, evaluate and report on legislative mandates before September 1 of the even-numbered year before the third anniversary of the date of enactment of a legislative mandate identified by the work group.

It is anticipated that any additional costs associated with implementation of the legislation could be absorbed within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

There could be significant savings to a political subdivision that would not be required to comply with an unfunded mandate on the list published under Section 320.003(a), but the amounts would vary depending on the number and cost of mandates.

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