# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

# FISCAL NOTE, 82ND LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

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

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

## IN RE: HB1925 by Zedler (relating to voter registration; creating an offense.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

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

The bill would require the Secretary of State (SOS) by January 1, 2012 to adopt standards of training in election law relating to registration of voters, develop materials for a standardized curriculum, distribute the materials to each county voter registrar, and would allow SOS to include the passage of an examination at the end of a training program. It is anticipated that any costs associated with implementation of the legislation could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2011.

The bill would also enhance a punishment and create an offense. It is assumed the number of offenders convicted under this statute would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of state corrections agencies or on the demand for resources and services of those agencies.

## **Local Government Impact**

Fiscal impact on local governments would vary depending on the number of offenses prosecuted under the provisions of the bill but is not anticipated to be significant.

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