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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: HJR55 by Christian (Proposing a constitutional amendment to prohibit a hospital district from using tax revenue to finance the performance of an abortion.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated, other than the cost of publication.

The cost to the state for publication of the resolution is \$105,495.

The resolution proposes a constitutional amendment to Section 9A, Article IX of the Texas Constitution that prohibits a hospital district from using tax revenue to finance an abortion.

The proposed amendment would be submitted to voters at an election to be held November 8, 2011.

Local Government Impact

According to the Collin County Health Care District and the City of Houston's Department of Health and Human Services, there would be no fiscal impact associated with the provisions of the bill.

There would be a fiscal impact to local governments associated with an election; however, those costs would vary by locality and are not anticipated to be significant.

Based on costs reported to the Secretary of State in 2010 by a sampling of counties, municipalities, and special districts, the average cost incurred by a local government entity for an election held is \$1.98 per registered voter.

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