

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable John T. Smithee, Chair, House Committee on Insurance

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

**IN RE: SB425** by Carona (Relating to property and casualty certificates of insurance and approval of property and casualty certificate of insurance forms by the Texas Department of Insurance; providing penalties.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to property and casualty certificates of insurance and approval of property and casualty certificate of insurance forms by the Texas Department of Insurance; providing penalties. The bill would allow the department to collect a filing fee not to exceed \$100 for the filing of a new or amended certificate of insurance form.

This analysis assumes that implementation of the bill would result in a small revenue gain in General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 from new filing fees. Since General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 is a self-leveling account, this analysis also assumes that any additional revenue resulting from the implementation of the bill would accumulate in the account fund balances and that the department would adjust the assessment of the maintenance tax or other fees accordingly in the following year.

Based on the analysis by the Texas Department of Insurance and the Office of the Attorney General, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 302 Office of the Attorney General, 454 Department of Insurance

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