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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: SB1238 by Carona (Relating to communications by public service providers during a disaster or an emergency.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to allow public service providers to use an emergency notification system to inform the providers' customers, governmental agencies, and other affected persons with messages related to disasters or emergencies. The bill includes provisions detailing the necessary elements of the emergency notification system. The bill would take effect immediately upon a two-thirds vote of the members in each house. Otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2011. The Texas Department of Public Safety anticipates no significant fiscal impact to the State from the bill.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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