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TO: Honorable Steve Ogden, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

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

IN RE: SB1652 by Watson (relating to the implementation of new technology and new processes for the purposes of budget transparency, fiscal responsibility, and open government.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend multiple sections of Government Code related to development of the state budget and the process for public hearings held by the Legislative Budget Board (LBB). The bill would require public hearings of the LBB in November of each state fiscal year and to discuss expenditure reduction plans resulting from interim budget reduction requests. The bill would require the inclusion of certain details related to state fees in the general appropriations act and require the Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) to publish certain information on revenue from state fees on an annual basis. The bill also alters the process related to the issuance of notes by the CPA.

This analysis assumes that any costs associated with implementing the bill's provisions could be met with existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 313 Department of Information Resources, 513 Funeral Service Commission, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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