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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB917 by Walle (Relating to education and training for certain school district peace officers and school resource officers.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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The bill would amend the Occupations Code to require school district peace officers seeking to become School Resource Officers (SRO) to complete within 90 days of first serving as an SRO one of the following training options: 24 hours of training approved by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE); training through the Bexar County children's crisis intervention training program; or training through the Texas School Safety Center at Texas State University. The bill would require TCLEOSE to appoint a 14-member school resource officer curriculum committee to develop the curriculum for the training program, and would require that the curriculum be approved by TCLEOSE by March 31, 2014. It is assumed the costs of implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within current appropriations. The bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

It is assumed that school districts would be able to pay the fees to maintain certification for peace and school resource officers. Amounts paid would vary depending on the number of peace and/or school resource officers employed by or assigned to the school district.

Source Agencies: 407 Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education,
701 Central Education Agency, 758 Texas State University System

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