

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Craig Estes, Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs & Homeland Security

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB928** by Krause (Relating to the enforcement of certain federal laws regulating firearms, firearm accessories, and firearm ammunition within the State of Texas.),  
**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 prohibit an agency or political subdivision of this state from contracting with or providing assistance to a federal agency or official with respect to the enforcement of a regulation of a firearm, a firearm accessory, or firearm ammunition that does not exist under the laws of this state. Under the bill, a political subdivision of this state that enforces such laws would be ineligible for state grant funds.

The bill would also allow a citizen of the State of Texas to file a complaint with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) if the citizen offers evidence that a political subdivision of this state is enforcing federal rules concerning the prohibition or restriction of firearms, firearm accessories or firearm ammunition. If the OAG determines the complaint is valid, the OAG may file a petition of writ of mandamus to compel the political subdivision to comply with this committee substitute.

The bill would require the OAG to defend any agency that the federal government attempts to sue for actions or omissions provided for by the bill.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 302 Office of the Attorney General

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