

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**February 27, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee On Open Government

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

**IN RE:** SB176 by Carona (relating to the distribution of certain consultants ' reports.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Government Code, Section 2254 to require that consulting services contracts include a provision that allows the contracting state agency to distribute any report produced from the contract and post it on the agency or a standing legislative committee website. A sample of agencies including the Employees Retirement System (ERS), the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) and the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) indicate that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within each agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System, 454 Department of Insurance

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