

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**May 25, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor, Senate  
Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

**IN RE:** SB217 by Patrick (Relating to the continuation and functions of the state employee charitable campaign. ), **Conference Committee Report**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend Government Code relating to the continuation and operation of the State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC). SECC is subject to the Sunset Act and will be abolished on September 1, 2013, unless continued by the Legislature. The bill would continue the SECC for four years and would take effect on September 1, 2013. The bill would direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comptroller) to provide administrative support to the State Policy Committee (Committee) including assistance with development and oversight of contracts and the development of SECC's budget.

The Sunset Advisory Commission indicated that the provisions of the bill would not have a fiscal impact since the SECC is funded through a portion of employee donations made through the campaign, capped at 10 percent of total donations raised, rather than through state appropriations. It is anticipated that any additional costs to the Comptroller to implement provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources or be recovered through an administrative fee charged to participating charitable organizations, as currently authorized under Section 659.148, Government Code.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 116 Sunset Advisory Commission, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

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