

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**March 17, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee On State Affairs

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

**IN RE: SB396** by Hegar (Relating to the provision of state death benefits to certain employees of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend Government Code to expand eligibility of state death benefits to survivors of individuals employed by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), whose principal duties directly support a law enforcement function by the state. DPS and the Employees Retirement System anticipate that any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2013, and would apply only to deaths that occurred after that date.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 327 Employees Retirement System, 405 Department of Public Safety

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