# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

# FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

## April 8, 2015

- **TO:** Honorable Phil King, Chair, House Committee on State & Federal Power & Responsibility, Select
- **FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board
- **IN RE: HB799** by Capriglione (Relating to a study conducted by the comptroller on the impact to the state of federal regulations and mandates enacted by federal law.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB799, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$500,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2017.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

#### General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2016	(\$500,000)
2017	\$0
2018	\$0
2019	\$0
2020	\$0

#### All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1
2016	(\$500,000)
2017	\$0
2018	\$0
2019	\$0
2020	\$0

### Fiscal Analysis

The bill would direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to conduct a study on the effects to the state of federal regulations and mandates enacted by federal law. The bill would require that the study include: (1) a cost-benefit analysis of the impact of state compliance with federal

regulations which includes a comparison of the state's direct and indirect cost for compliance with the amount of federal funds received by the state for the purpose of compliance; (2) a list of all federal mandates, including federal regulations, for which the federal government does not provide sufficient reimbursement to cover the cost of compliance; and (3) recommendations for reducing the federal regulatory burden on the state and citizens of the state, including proposals for state or federal legislation or litigation against specific federal agencies. The report of the study would be due to the Legislature not later than December 31, 2016.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receipt of a two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house; otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

### Methodology

Based on the analysis of the Comptroller, producing the report required by the bill would require contract staff with knowledge and expertise in federal regulations and mandates across several subject areas not limited to health and human services, transportation, public education, and natural resources. The agency would require \$500,000 in fiscal year 2016 to hire contract staff to research, analyze and produce recommendations required by the bill relating to the impact of federal regulations and mandates on the state.

### Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts **LBB Staff:** UP, FR, EP, LCO, SD, MH