## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 28, 2015

**TO**: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3511 by Davis, Sarah (Relating to the contents of financial statements filed by certain persons; adding a provision subject to criminal penalties.), As Passed 2nd House

## No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Government Code to increase property disclosure requirements and exempt people who file personal financial statements with the Ethics Commission or other filing authority from including a notarized affidavit with the financial statement, if they do so electronically, using a password. The bill would also add a provision to make financial statements filed under this chapter subject to prosecution under Chapter 37, Penal Code. Any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015 and would apply only to financial statements filed on or after that date.

## **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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