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TO: Honorable Jodie Laubenberg, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **SB1041** by Bettencourt (Relating to required disclosures in and to the length of ballot proposition language authorizing political subdivisions to issue bonds or impose or change a tax.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code to require certain political subdivisions to include certain debt or tax information on propositions submitted to voters for approval of the issuance of bonds or the imposition, increase, or reduction of a tax. The bill sets forth required contents of certain ballot propositions and limits a proposition to 5,000 characters or a different limit as prescribed by the Secretary of State that ensures the length of the proposition does not exceed one page or one screen on an electronic voting machine.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 307 Secretary of State, 701 Central Education Agency

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