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TO: Honorable John Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on General Investigating & Ethics

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1437 by Zaffirini (Relating to the electronic filing of reports of political contributions and expenditures and of personal financial statements by certain officeholders and candidates and the content of those statements; creating a criminal offense.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Government Code to require personal financial statements to be filed electronically with the Ethics Commission. The Ethics Commission indicates that any costs associated with implementing the bill could be absorbed within existing agency resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Local Government Impact

There may be administrative costs to units of local government; however, the fiscal impact is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 356 Texas Ethics Commission

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