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H.B. No. 636

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a report on the range of potential fiscal impacts to the  
3 state resulting from judgments in pending suits against the state  
4 or a state agency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 403, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 403.0146 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 403.0146. REPORT ON FISCAL IMPACT OF PENDING SUITS  
9 AGAINST THE STATE. (a) The comptroller shall collaborate with the  
10 Legislative Budget Board to produce a report on the range of  
11 potential fiscal impacts to the state that could result from a  
12 judgment entered against the state in any suit against the state, a  
13 state agency, or a state official that is pending at the time of the  
14 report's publication.

15 (b) Not later than December 1 of each even-numbered year,  
16 the comptroller shall deliver the report produced under Subsection  
17 (a) to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of  
18 representatives, House Appropriations Committee, and Senate  
19 Finance Committee.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.