

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 23, 2017**

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

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB2837** by Dean (Relating to removal of deceased voters from voter rolls; creating a criminal offense.), **As Introduced**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Election Code creating a Class C misdemeanor in cases where a registrar fails to remove a deceased individual from voter rolls.

The bill would take effect immediately if the bill receives a two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

**Local Government Impact**

A Class C misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500. Costs associated with enforcement and prosecution could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact. In addition to the fine, punishment can include up to 180 days of deferred disposition.

**Source Agencies:**

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