

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

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**April 16, 2019**

**TO:** Honorable Dade Phelan, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director    Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director  
Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1035** by Zedler (Relating to protecting freedom of conscience from government discrimination.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to prohibit a government entity from discriminating against a person or organization based on a action taken in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief and to allow a person or organization to sue a governmental entity for any violation of the prohibition.

Based on the analysis of the Office of Court Administration and the Higher Education Coordinating Board, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished using existing resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:**        212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council, 781 Higher  
Education Coordinating Board

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